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Elba City Council approves ordinance for establishing election qualification fees

During the Elba City Council meeting Monday evening, May 19, Elba Police Chief Shayne Arnett provided a statistics update for his department.

Over the past month, Arnett said his officers had worked three motor vehicle accidents, issued 77 written warnings for traffic violations, and written 73 tickets. Also, he said the officers had answered 591 service calls during the month.

"Sounds like you've all had a busy month," Elba Mayor Pro Tem Jane Brunson said.

As for staffing, Arnett said the department remains in good shape there. He did note a new officer would be starting next week, but another officer is leaving to go to work with the county.

"It's a lot better than it was eight or nine months ago for sure," Brunson said. Arnett agreed with that assessment.

During her report to council members city clerk Sally Bane she said the repair work on the 'dip' spot on Highland Drive began over the past weekend with Triple T Construction doing that work. She said the contractor hopes to be completed with that project by end of week so the road can reopen next Monday [however, this depends on weather permitting it].

"The even better news is this contractor also met with us today at the Pea River bridge, and he thinks he can help us fix the issue with the track for the levee gate on that bridge," Bane said. "He

really spent a lot of time looking at this and seems very serious about getting us some workable numbers to be able to help us with this problem."

Bane said rec director Chris Moseley has accepted a different job. Due to that, she said the city would begin advertising for a new recreation director.

Also, she said the Splash Pad is expected to open this Memorial Day weekend to the public for the season.

Also, during the meeting, council members approved an ordinance establishing qualification fees for the 2025 municipal election. This covers qualification fees for the mayor and council members spots. [A copy of that ordinance is advertised in today's paper on Page 3 under the legals section.]

The council voted to change employee work hours, excluding city hall, for the summer to 6 a.m. until 3 p.m. from June 2 until Oct. 3 this year. The purpose of this change is to help employees that work outside in the heat to be able to avoid heat-related issues throughout the hottest months of the year.

Four board reappointments were approved by the council. These included Mark Kelley to the Elba Zoning Board of Adjustments, Lucia Grantham to the South Central Mental Health board, Leslie Starks to the Elba Redevelopment Authority representing District 1, and Kenneth Calhoun to the Elba Redevelopment Authority representing District 2.



This road repair project on Highland Drive began Saturday, May 17, and is expected to continue through this week. During Monday night's Elba City Council meeting, city clerk Sally Bane said the contractor hopes to have the repairs completed by the end of this week to allow the road to reopen next Monday; however, she said that all depends on weather. Triple T Construction from Dothan is making the repairs on the road.

Though he will not be teaching/coaching at Elba next year

Reeves hopes Elba will keep track team going

After leading Elba High School's new track team to a highly successful season, Coach Tyler Reeves wanted to take time to thank the community for the support shown to him and the students this initial year.

Reeves addressed a rumor that he would not be back to teach/coach at Elba High School next school year, but he said he wanted all to know that he had enjoyed his time at the school, especially in working with getting this new track program up and running. He said he wanted to see it flourish even with him no longer at the helm.

"I want to advocate in the future for the school to keep this track program," Reeves said. "Moving forward, I don't know who will take the program forward, but I don't want to see it go away. It is one more opportunity for kids that don't usually get to play sports to have that opportunity to be involved in sports."

Reeves said one cannot talk about the success the new track program had without talking about the commitment of the parents and athletes.

"I feel we achieved phenomenal results based on where we started...no

money for the program, no equipment," Reeves said. "It was literally an idea that began on a piece of paper. We had to roll up our sleeves and go get it done."

He said this was definitely a community effort and made his job so much easier.

As the coach, Reeves said it was great to see the athletes continue to push and work to get better.

"To see those kids hit personal record after personal record, it was just phenomenal," he said. "To see the kids thrive, achieve, hit goal after goal, I had the best seat for it all."

Reeves said he felt like there was some hesitancy to begin with for the new program, but he said the students, parents, and community bought in to make it work and be great.

Moving forward, Reeves said he hopes those involved with track will dig in and fight for the program to remain a part of Elba High School athletics. He said the groundwork has been done, and there are students set to thrive next season if they continue to work hard to improve.

"Find a way," Reeves said. "Don't let it go easily. Fight for this program. The 2025 track team will always hold a special place in my heart, and I want to see this program move forward. This was among one of the best groups I've ever had."

Looking Back & Moving Forward

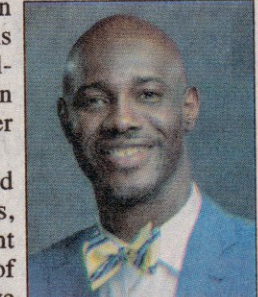
As I reflect on the past two months as your principal, I am filled with tremendous excitement and unwavering optimism about the future of Elba High School. These early days have already shown me something powerful—this is a community that deeply values its school, and that passion shines through in every corner of Elba.

Whether it's been in spirited conversations at athletic events, impromptu visits to the front office, or shared moments of worship in your churches, I've been honored to witness firsthand the pride our community holds for Elba High. These moments have reinforced what I've always believed: great schools are built not just by educators, but by the people who stand behind them—families, neighbors, alumni, and leaders united in support of our students.

With your continued partnership, I am confident that Elba High School can and will become a premiere model of educational excellence in the state of Alabama. Our vision for the future is bold—but it is also within reach, because of the incredible people who call this place home.

A school's success depends on more than test scores or rankings. It depends on the strength of the community that surrounds it. And here in Elba, we are rich in that strength. Thank you for welcoming me so warmly and for believing in what we can build together. The best is yet to come.

In Tiger pride,
Principal Jermaine Shakespeare



NOTICE:

The Elba Clipper office will be closed Monday, May 26, in observance of Memorial Day

Area Happenings

The Elba Public Library is organizing a TigerTown Park playground clean-up day Saturday, May 31, from 8 a.m. until. All interested in helping are encouraged to participate.

The New Brockton Town Council will hold a Town Hall Meeting Monday, June 2, with State Representative Rhett Marques during the council's regular monthly meeting beginning at 6 p.m. Rep. Marques will provide an update on the recent Legislative session and will field questions from the public. This meeting is open to the public and will be held at the New Brockton Town Hall.

An Elba Parks and Recreation All-Star Pep Rally will be held Tuesday, June 3, at Legion Field beginning at 7 p.m. Wear black and gold to show Tiger Pride and help send the 10U and 12U baseball teams off for their All-Star District Tournaments.



The water for the Elba Splash Pad will be flowing for the season beginning this weekend as the City of Elba opens the recreational facility to the public for summer 2025!

Make A Difference...ELBA!

Wiregrass Wolverines to host cleanup day for Foggy Bottom stadium this Sunday

Wiregrass Wolverines team owner Will Love wants his team to win on the field, but he also wants the team to win in the community as well.

With that in mind, the Wiregrass Wolverines will host a cleanup and restore day at Miller Memorial Stadium [Foggy Bottom] in Elba this Sunday, May 25, beginning at 2:30 p.m.

"If anyone knows about Miller Memorial Stadium, then you know of the rich heritage and championships there," Love said. "It's a part of Elba's history. Most people talk about change, but nothing changes unless something happens."

This Sunday, the Wolverines will be at the field cleaning the bathrooms, picking up trash, and cleaning the concessions area.

Love invites the community to come out and help with the cleanup and restoration.

"Support this effort in bringing life back to Foggy Bottom...not just for the Wolverines but to help make it suitable for use for the children in this city," he said. "Let's do this together. We will have water and hot dogs too."

The Wiregrass Wolverines utilize Miller Memorial Stadium as their homefield

for football games, and the team's season will begin June 21.

As for Love, he not only devotes his time to his team the Wolverines, but he also is active in Elba working to build young athletes. He has volunteered time to coach several recreation football and basketball teams over the years.

Currently, Love is giving of time to hold football workouts on Saturdays [when weather permits] to help youngsters stay in shape and be ready for the fall football season.

Will Love has a love for sports and youth, and he is making a difference in Elba.



The Zion Chapel state champion softball team stopped by the Kountry Korner store in Coffee County last Wednesday afternoon, May 14, on their way home from the state tournament. From the store, the state champs received a first responder escort to the school in celebration of them winning the state championship for Class 2A.

EDITORIAL



Several members of the Elba High School Class of 1966 made their monthly trek Tuesday, May 13, to Ms. Linda's café in downtown Elba to enjoy breakfast and fellowship with one another. The group noticed Ms. Linda had a new server worker that day, and they said she did an excellent job! Those pictured enjoying their time together were John Lawless, Merrill Shirley, Kenneth Baker, Terry Calhoun, Butch Oggs, Neil Hutto, Addy - Ms. Linda's employee, Jackey Tindol, David Blackmon, Jerry Brown, Judy Galimore Brown, Sara Warr Strong, and Bobby Edmondson.

Locals named to President's and Dean's lists for WCC

Wallace Community College, Dothan, Ala., recently named local students that had made the Spring 2025 Semester President's List or Dean's List.

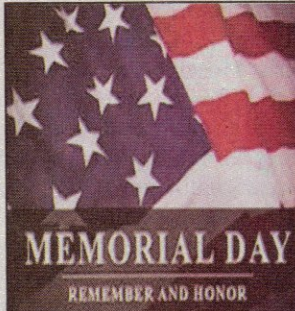
Those making the President's List must have completed a minimum of 12 semester hours of college level coursework with a grade point average of 4.0.

Locally, Aimee Senn of Elba and Halle

Everts of New Brockton were named to the President's List for Spring 2025.

Those making the Dean's List must have completed a minimum of 12 semester hours of college level coursework with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

Locally, Katelyn Register of Elba was named to the Dean's List for Spring 2025.



Elba Police Report

This report reflects activity for the Elba Police Department from Tuesday, May 13, through Monday, May 19, 2025, as reported to and dispatched from the Coffee County 911 Dispatch Center -

Tuesday, May 13 - Vehicle accident reported at Farris Ave and Claxton Ave N (9:41 a.m.); Vehicle accident reported at 180 County Rd 105, Jack (2:21 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 20120 Hwy 87 (3:28 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at Reese Ave and Garrett St (3:46 p.m.); Elderly abuse report-

ed at 996 Johnson St (8:17 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 919 Flournoy Dr (11:25 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at Flournoy Dr and Neil Grantham Dr (11:42 p.m.). Four traffic stops resulted in three verbal warnings, and one citation.

Wednesday, May 14 - Trespassing reported at 778 Reese Ave (12:13 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 100 Beaver Dam St (2:33 p.m.); Child abuse reported at a residence on County Rd 409 (2:50 p.m.); Burglary reported at 731 West St

(3:20 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 595 Collier Cir (3:58 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 87 (7:58 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at Claxton Ave N and Whitman St (8:01 p.m.). Twelve traffic stops resulted in six verbal warnings, one written warning, one citation, one arrest, and three no action taken.

Thursday, May 15 - Escapace reported from the Elba Work Release (8:17 a.m.); Missing person reported at 1479 Claxton Ave N (10:09 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at Hwy 189 and County Rd 351 - w/arrest (2:37 p.m.). Five traffic stops resulted in five verbal warnings.

Friday, May 16 - Vehicle accident reported at 2154 Taylor Mill Rd (4:01 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 425 Davis St W (7:34 a.m.); Damage to property reported at 923 Roosevelt Dr (8:30 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 2734 Hickman Ave - w/impound (3:48 p.m.); Verbal altercation reported at 992 Hwy 203 Suite 1 (8:21 p.m.). Six traffic stops resulted in three written warnings, and three verbal warnings.

Saturday, May 17 - Suspicious vehicle report-

ed at 993 Hwy 203 (1:50 a.m.); Vehicle accident reported at Hwy 87 and Private Rd 1307 (1:12 p.m.); Reckless driver reported at 1 County Rd 502 (9:30 p.m.); Reckless driver reported at 992 Hwy 203 Suite 1 - w/written warning issued (11:46 p.m.). Six traffic stops resulted in four written warnings, and two verbal warnings.

Sunday, May 18 - Suspicious person reported at 720 Reese Ave (7:32 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 1151 Claxton Ave N (7:59 a.m.).

Monday, May 19 - Vehicle accident reported at Hwy 203 and Claxton Ave N (7:01 a.m.); Stolen vehicle reported at 111 Factory Ave (7:05 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 923 Roosevelt Dr (9:26 p.m.). Three traffic stops resulted in one verbal warning, one citation, and one written warning.

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Windy Thoughts

with Linda Hodge, Publisher

It was a tremendous "sports" week last week for the area. Elba High School celebrated a state championship for Jay Wilson in golf while Zion Chapel and Kinston high schools each celebrated state championship wins for softball. One this is for certain...we know our sports here is Elba and Coffee County! Congratulations to all! There is a lot of time and hard work that goes into creating championship performances, and we salute you all for your dedication to your sport. You've all made us proud.

The latest update on the Coffee County Lake from Elba officials was one that indicates progress is being made to get the lake reopened to fishing. Elba Mayor Pro Tem Jane Brunson said Monday evening during the council's May 19th meeting that she had been in contact with Coffee County administrator Rod Morgan and he assured her Coffee County is making the reopening of the county lake a priority. While she said there is no 'set date' yet for the reopening of the lake, she said the county is working daily to get it ready for reopening. Brunson said the county would soon be ready to advertise for a lake manager to oversee daily operations. Hang in there, folks. We may be able to revisit the beautiful Coffee County Lake before too many more days and weeks pass by us.

The Elba City Council approved an ordinance Monday night that sets the qualifying fees for those interested in running for municipal office this summer. These qualifying fees cover those running for mayor or city council in the City of Elba. Qualifying will open next month, so, if you are considering a run for office in Elba...get ready...your time is almost here! We encourage all to be sure to learn rules and requirements to seek office, and make sure you keep up with the various deadlines. All these are important and necessary.

Monday is Memorial Day, a time we reflect on the ultimate sacrifices made by so many to protect our freedoms. There is a very informative Memorial Day reflection piece, written by Elba First Baptist Church pastor Kit Johnson, on Page 4 of today's paper. We encourage you to read this article. We also encourage you to take time Monday to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice for us...don't let the day only be a fun day off work. While those men and women did make their sacrifices so we can enjoy the day, we still owe them too much to not think of them on Monday!



Cuzin Lou Lou and Sister took a fun ride to the beach last Saturday on Louie the Jeep! Lou Lou and Papa installed the summer tube doors late last week, and Lou Lou was itching to try them out on a fun ride.

The first thing Sister noticed when she got up Saturday was that it was cloudy outside, and this prompted her to immediately ask Lou Lou if she still planned to go with it looking like it might could rain.

"I have checked the weather, and we are good to go," Lou Lou responded. A very unsure Sister replied with an okay, but Lou Lou could tell that Sister was not in complete agreement with her assessment of the weather.

Despite her reluctance, Sister got ready and soon the two were headed towards the Florida gulf coast.

It was a great ride with the new doors! Even Sister had forgotten her earlier reluctance by the time the two made it to the beach as she had enjoyed the ride with Lou Lou [not to mention the sun was shining brightly].

The two enjoyed lunch and a quick shopping trip before they headed out to the beach for some relaxation while soaking in the sun's rays. It was the perfect way to spend a Saturday. Once Sister had stayed as

long as she was willing to stay out on the beach...she loves her air conditioning, and there is only so much she is willing to sacrifice for Lou Lou's happiness...the two packed up ready to head back home. The decision was made to return back to the land of Yonder a different route than had been taken earlier in the day. This was mostly so Lou Lou and Sister could pick up some takeout for supper for themselves and Papa.

All was going great...well...that is until they were about 5 miles away from the destination to pick up supper. Sister was relaxed enough she had fallen asleep on the ride home, and Lou Lou was the first to notice the dark clouds in front of them.

Uh oh! Yep...that's right! They were headed straight for a 'pop up' rain shower with the tube doors on Louie!

Only minutes before the wet stuff started falling from the sky, Sister woke up from her nap, and her expression was one of displeasure as she saw the inevitable. It was going to rain, and she and Lou Lou were going to have to drive through it with no way to keep the rain out of the Jeep!

Fortunately, the wind was not blowing with the rain. So, for the most part, Lou Lou and Sister stayed relatively dry...not completely, but better than it could have been [especially if they had taken the top off too]. Of course, this did not keep Sister from giving Lou Lou that look...the one that says, "I can't believe you!"

"It's not going to rain, huh?" was all Sister kept saying they made their way through the rainstorm.

"Well...it didn't where we were going!" Lou Lou reminded her. "I can't predict pop up showers!"

That didn't help Sister's feelings very much. The good news, however, is the rain stop pretty quickly and by the time the two made it the rest of the way home [they decided not to make the stop to get takeout], everything had basically dried back out. This went a long way in helping Sister to find the humor in the experience...otherwise, Lou Lou would probably still be in trouble!

As Lou Lou always says, "It's always an adventure with the Yonder Gang!"

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling!

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What does the Bible say about... Salvation?

Article written by Douglas Williams



"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek" (Romans 1:16).

"For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works" (Titus 2:11-14).

"...though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered. And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him," (Hebrews 5:8-9).

"Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name (Jesus Christ) under heaven given among men by which we must be saved" (Acts 4:12).

The Biblical doctrine of salvation presents a contrast between being saved or lost. The general idea is that of spiritual deliverance from sin; a state of being saved, safety or security brought about by obedience to God's will. The Bible also describes salvation with words like redemption, atone-

ment, remission or forgiveness of sins, regeneration, etc.

In this article we are primarily interested in the spiritual and eternal deliverance granted immediately by God to those who accept his conditions of salvation. Those conditions are:

1) Repenting of sins (Luke 13:3).

2) Confessing faith in Jesus as God's son (Matthew 10:32).

3) Faith in Jesus Christ as the Son of God (John 8:24).

4) Being baptized for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38).

5) Faithful Christian living (Revelation 2:10).

But the Bible also speaks of material and temporal deliverance from danger, such as personally from the sea (Acts 27:34); from prison (Philippians 1:19); from the flood (Hebrews 11:7), as well as national deliverance (Luke 1:69-71; Acts 7:25).

The Bible teaches that we will be lost if we "neglect so great salvation" (Hebrews 2:3); that there is great joy in salvation (Psalm 51:12); and that, "now is the day of salvation" (2 Corinthians 6:2).

How terrible it is to be lost in the forest, a large city, or for a child to be lost, etc., but how much worse to be lost eternally in the flames of hell.

We can be saved by obeying the teachings of the Bible. Have you obeyed? Do you enjoy God's salvation and the hope of heaven?

Free digital mental wellness self-care platform launched in Alabama

Behavioral and mental health issues affect every aspect of life; one in five adults in the United States experiences mental illness each year. Alabama has seen the number of mental health providers and access to care improve, though more work is needed to meet the demand for services. State Health Officer Dr. Scott Harris said, "The strains experienced with COVID-19 highlighted a mental health gap between the people seeking assistance and the shortage of providers available."

In partnership with the Alabama Department of Public Health, Alabama Department of Mental Health, Jefferson County Department of Health, and Mobile County Health Department, the mental well-being platform called CredibleMind is now available to Alabama residents at no charge. CredibleMind provides a means to empower and assist individuals to overcome mental health challenges through a confidential, personalized, accessible, immediate, and anonymous self-care and mental well-being platform. By accessing CredibleMind, the barriers of long waits for professional help and the social stigma that may come from seeking mental health services are avoided. This one-stop information platform supports wellness with evidence-based resources designed to support the mental health needs of everyone, everywhere.

Jefferson County Health Officer, Dr. David Hicks, was among those seeking a solution to the critical problem of rising stress, anxiety, and depression in Alabamians. Dr. Hicks expressed enthusiasm for the new platform, stating, "CredibleMind represents a significant step forward in our efforts to support the mental health and well-being of our community by using a public health approach focused on prevention and early intervention. Through CredibleMind's free, easy-to-access resources, barriers to better mental health are reduced and access to the tools needed to thrive improved. We are committed to promoting mental wellness and reducing the stigma associated with mental health issues."

Mobile County Health Officer Dr. Kevin Michaels said, "CredibleMind helps you catch mental health concerns early and learn more about them by bringing together personalized resources. Everything is neatly organized by specific topic or condition, so whether you're dealing with stress, anxiety, sleep issues, or just want to boost your overall well-being, you can quickly find what fits your needs."

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BETTY SUE ROGERS

Mrs. Betty Sue Rogers, age 77, of Elba, Ala., died Sunday, May 18, 2025, at her residence in Elba.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 21, 2025, from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Bryan Simoneaux officiating. Burial followed in the Ino Assembly of God Church Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

She was preceded in death by her parents, George & Gladys Calhoun; brothers, Jim Calhoun and Jerry Calhoun; and her sister, Judy Thomas.

Survivors include her husband: Charles Earl Rogers, Elba; daughters: Jennifer (Larry) Grant, Jack, Ala., Melissa Rogers, and Stacie (Timothy) Beavers, both of Elba, Pamela (Mark) Godwin, Enterprise, Ala.; brother: Larry (Susan) Calhoun, Pensacola, Fla.; grandchildren: Matt (Mary Kate) Rogers, Stephanie Beavers, Chad (Whitney) Beavers, Kyle (Kayla) Byrd, Riley Grant, Aaron (Bailey) Grant, Lexi Brock, Andrew Godwin, and Josh (Chasity) Godwin; great-grandchildren: Myla Rogers, Liam Beavers, Meri Drue Byrd, Collins Hall, and Margo Grant.

GAYLE FARMER OBERST

Mrs. Gayle Farmer Oberst, age 81, of Panama City Beach, Fla., died Saturday, May 17, 2025.

She was born in Columbus, Ga. and grew up in South Alabama.

Gayle attended Troy University where she received her MBA. She taught and worked in various colleges including Troy University, Central Texas College, Enterprise State College and Gulf Coast Community College. She retired from Troy University at Dothan having served as Vice President of Finance and Administration, Executive Assistant to the President and as an Assistant Professor in Business.

Gayle served six years as

a City Councilwoman for the City of Panama City Beach and later went on to be the Mayor of Panama City Beach for 10 years. As Mayor, she served on numerous boards both local and state and worked on many civic and community projects. She was fortunate to lead the city through years of change and development. She was especially proud of the greenway and the trails system that was named after her "Gayle's Trails" and the City Conservation Park.

Gayle was an active member and served on the boards of Beach Care Service, Women's Civic Club and Kiwanis. She was an honorary member of the Rotary and Optimist Club. She served on the Board of Trustees and Women Advisor Group of Gulf Coast Medical Center, Bay Medical Foundation and Gulf World Marine Park Board.

A Celebration of Life service was held Wednesday, May 21, 2025, at Harpoon Harry's, 12627 Front Beach Rd., Panama City Beach, FL 32407. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the Women's Civic Club or the Panama City Beach Senior Center.

Arrangements were handled by Southerland Family Funeral Home.

Gayle was preceded in death by her husband, Walter Oberst; parents, Doris and Alvis Farmer; and brother, Jackie O. Farmer Sr.

Survivors include her two nephews: J.J. Farmer (wife Rachel), Troy, Ala., Jonathan Farmer (wife Kinsley) Elba, Ala.; a host of great-nieces and great-nephews; and many friends and co-workers that she grew to love through the years.

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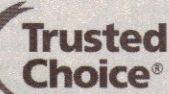
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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that certain Mortgage executed by John Julian Rich and Jennifer Harley Rich, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), (solely as nominee for Lender, Inter-Linc Mortgage Services, LLC, and Lender's successors and assigns), dated the 4th day of October, 2022, which Mortgage was recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Geneva County, Alabama, in the Official Record Book 1171, at Page 262; said Mortgage having been transferred and assigned by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), (solely as nominee for Lender, Inter-Linc Mortgage Services, LLC, and Lender's successors and assigns) to Alabama Housing Finance Authority by virtue of that certain Assignment of Mortgage dated April 7, 2025 and recorded in said Probate Office in Official Record Book 1267, at Page 442. The undersigned Alabama Housing Finance Authority, as Assignee of said Mortgage, will, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, sell at auction to the highest bidder for cash before the front door of the Geneva County Courthouse in the City of Geneva, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on July 1, 2025, the real property described in said Mortgage, which said description is hereby referred to and made a part hereof, said property being situated in Geneva County, Alabama, to-wit:

One lot or parcel of land in the Town of Slocomb, Alabama, described as follows: One lot of land in NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 of Section 25, Township 2, Range 24, described more particularly as follows: Commencing at a point 600 feet North of the NW corner of the J. S. Foster Lot, located on the East side of North Street and from this point running thence North along the East side of North Street for 120 feet; thence East perpendicular to North Street 170 feet to a point, thence running South parallel with North Street 120 feet to a point, thence running West 170 feet to the Point of Beginning.

ALSO: A parcel of land in the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 25, Township 2 North, Range 24 East, described as follows: For a point of beginning of the parcel herein conveyed, commence at the Northwest corner of the J. S. Foster lot, said point being on the East

side of North Street and 623 feet, more or less, North of the North line of Cox Street in the Town of Slocomb, Geneva County, Alabama, and from said point, running North along the East line of North Street for a distance of 600 feet; thence running East parallel to the North line of Cox Street for a distance of 170 feet to the point of beginning; Thence from the point of beginning running North parallel with the East line of North Street 120 feet; thence running East 170 feet to parallel to the North line of Cox Street; thence running South parallel with the East line of North Street 120 feet; thence run West 170 feet to the point of beginning. Said parcel herein conveyed contains 0.468 acres more or less and lies adjacent to the East line of the Hubert McNeil lot which fronts on North Street.

Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process. This sale is made for the purpose of realizing the mortgage debt, together with all expenses of the sale, including a reasonable attorney's fee. ALABAMA HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY ASSIGNEE

CAPELL & HOWARD, P.C.
Bowdy J. Brown, Esq.
150 South Perry Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

Our File No.: 37591-3509
ATTORNEYS FOR ASSIGNEE
5/22,29,&6/5-chg.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, GENEVA COUNTY, IN THE PROBATE COURT
CASE NO. 25-0080

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Lavaughan Holland, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned on the 14th day of May, 2025, by the Judge of the Probate Court of said County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred. Respectfully Submitted on this the 14th day of May, 2025.

/s/ Deborah Holland

Driskell
Deborah Holland Driskell

Jeffrey T. Gray
Attorney for Petitioner
Post Office Box 224
Geneva, Alabama 36340
(334) 248-6666
5/22,29&6/5-pd.

Ordinance 05192025A

An Ordinance Establishing Qualification Fees

BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE CITY OF ELBA COUNCIL OF ELBA, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. A qualification fee in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50.00) is hereby fixed and imposed upon all candidates seeking election as mayor of the City of Elba, Alabama, except as hereinafter provided for.

Section 2. A qualification fee in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50.00) is hereby fixed and imposed upon all candidates seeking election as councilmember of the City of Elba, Alabama, except as hereinafter provided for.

Section 3. Such qualification fee shall be paid to the city clerk and deposited to the general fund of the city at or prior to the time of taking out qualification papers by any such candidates.

Section 4. Any person desiring to qualify who is not financially able to pay the required fee may qualify provided such prospective candidate furnishes the clerk with an affidavit stating that he or she is financially unable to pay the required fee fixed by this ordinance.

Section 5. This ordinance is adopted pursuant to Section 11-46-2 of the Alabama Code of 1975 and shall be effective in all elections, both general and special, for aforesaid offices from and after the date of adoption.

ADOPTED THIS THE 19TH DAY OF MAY 2025.
/s/ Jane Brunson
Jane Brunson, Mayor Pro-Tem

Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

/s/ Sally Bane

Sally Bane, City Clerk

5/22-chg.

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Coping with Grief in the Summer

Summertime can be a wonderful time, but if you have recently lost a loved one, it can also be a difficult time. The summer season can be made even harder when you see lots of other people outdoors having fun. You may not feel like celebrating and you may even feel guilty about your own happiness.

Here are some tips to help deal with grief in the summer:
Give yourself time. If this is the first summer without your loved one, it can be tempting to try to push yourself back into the activities you used to enjoy. Summer months can be busy, but make sure to give yourself time and space to grieve as well.

Try out things you used to enjoy. You may find these things are too painful at first, especially if they were activities you enjoyed with your loved one. However, if you give them a try, you may also find you still enjoy them.

Go outside if possible. A dose of some sunshine and Vitamin D can help you cope with stress.

Try a new activity or tradition that honors your loved one. Find a way to dedicate some time to remembering your loved one in a purposeful way. You might plan a special picnic at a spot your loved one always enjoyed visiting or plan a vacation to a spot that was important to them.

Remember it still ok to have fun. If you have experienced a loss you may feel like you will never be able to laugh or have fun again. When you do find yourself having a good time you may feel guilty, like you are dishonoring your loved one. Know it is ok to find joy and be happy. It may help to do things that bring up happy memories of your loved one, such as swimming or going for a walk on the beach.

Get help if you are still struggling. If you find you can't shake your feelings of sadness at all or start to feel overwhelmed, don't be afraid to seek out a counselor or support group to help you out. You can also seek out online options if you choose.

If you would like a free funeral decisions guide, please email me at hayeshf@hayesfuneralhome.net

431 East Davis Elba, Alabama 36323 (334) 897-2225

CHURCH NEWS

Shady Grove AME Church invites all to 155th anniversary planned for Sunday

Shady Grove AME Church, located at 768 County Rd. 345, Elba, Ala., will celebrate 155 years Sunday, May 25, with its annual church anniversary celebration.

The celebration will begin at 3 p.m. The guest speaker will be Rev. Fred Flowers, pastor of Parks Chapel AME Church, Dothan, Ala. All are invited to attend.

VBS set for June 22nd thru 27th at Alberton Baptist Church in Kinston

Alberton Baptist Church, located at 3633 Hwy. 134, Kinston, Ala., will hold Vacation Bible School from Sunday, June 22, through Friday, June 27th.

VBS will be from 5 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. on June 22nd while the time will be 6 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. on June 23rd – June 27th. This year's theme will be "Camp Firelight – A Summer Camp Adventure with God."

There will be something for everyone, including an adult class taught by Will Jordan, pastor. All are welcome.

For more information or to register, contact Ms. Peggy at 334-804-2155.



This photo shows some of those who gathered Thursday, May 1, at 12 noon outside of Elba City Hall to participate in the National Day of Prayer event held in the city. During the short prayer service there were prayers lifted for the nation, federal government, first responders, churches, state, military, schools, city, and county. This was the 74th annual National Day of Prayer held across the United States. This year's theme was "Pour Out to the God of Hope and Be Filled" -- Romans 15:13

Local pastor shares "A Memorial Day Reflection"

Written by
Rev. Kit Johnson,
Elba First Baptist Church

What were once important dates like my birthday, high school graduation, date of enlistment into the military, etc. have become less significant over the years; however, certain days seem to become more meaningful with each passing year. One such is Memorial Day. Whether anticipated as the holiday that kicks summer off or simply enjoyed as a free Monday that extends the weekend, Americans everywhere will be making the most of the day/weekend.

Unfortunately, it will be a difficult day for some families. Let me tell you why.

It was originally called Decoration Day from the tradition of decorating graves with flowers. It has always been a day to remember those who have died securing freedom for the next generation.

In 1868 Gen. John Logan of the Grand Army of the Republic organized a day of remembrance in which 5,000 people honored

20,000 fallen in Arlington National Cemetery which led to a chain of similar services across the U.S.

In 1971, Congress officially recognized it as a National Holiday naming it Memorial Day.

You see, the day can be especially hard for those whose loved one made the ultimate sacrifice. Perhaps you understand now why, no matter our weekend plan, I ensure we pause in prayer for the families of those who have fallen and thank God such men and women lived.

The service of these being remembered illustrates the love Jesus to which Jesus spoke. He spoke in John 15:13, "Greater love has no one than this, that one lay down his life for his friends." Jesus shared this knowing that He would soon give His life for those He loved.

As for remembering those who have served well, I am reminded of the tribute to David's "mighty men" given in 2 Samuel 23:39. You may wonder how God would be glorified in our remembrance of such

heroes, but verses 10 and 12 provide explanation. Twice we read "the Lord brought about a great victory."

Unfortunately, I cannot say that each were serving the Lord as they served our country, but I do know that God has the ability to use sinners and saints alike. I celebrate the memory of one knowing they were used to bring about God's divine plan. To God be the glory.

This Memorial Day I challenge you to do two things.

First, thank God for those He has used to illustrate a love so selfless that it sacrifices life itself. If you do not personally know any who have given their life, read a few narratives to your children you can find online to ensure your family understands the cost of freedom.

Secondly, pray for the families who still grieve the loss of their loved ones. Reach out to any you may know and tell them how thankful you are for their loved one.

At the very least, do not let the day be reduced to beach trips and BBQ grill.

ROUND AND ABOUT w/ ERIA'S DAUGHTER

334-282-2200



Scripture: Hebrews 11:1

Thinking of you! Praying for you!

Regina Reed, Ida Hooks, Phillip Musgrove, All Hospital Patients, Shirley Coleman, Barbara Stephen, Joe Rudolph, All Graduates

May Birthdays

Helen Thigpen 5/18
Willie Calvin Tillis Jr. 5/18
Adeana Gray 5/19
Laqueena Sams Henderson 5/20
Ashley Cooks 5/22
Sharon Wright 5/24
Rev. Chester A. Hammonds Jr. 5/24
Sharon Fitch 5/24
Mavis Ernestine Kelley 5/25
Jennifer Walker 5/25

The Power of the Word

The pencil, a recent book by Henry Petroski, relates the interesting history of this common, yellow, wooden item most of us have used since childhood. It tells of how they came to be called "lead" pencils (even though they aren't made of lead anymore). We learn how the brand name "Mongol" and the yellow color came about: a new supply of graphite was found in Siberia near China, and the new name and color capitalized on this association with the Esat, which was considered to be exotic a hundred years ago. Many persons have replaced wooden pencils with mechanical pencils, fountain pens, ballpoint pens, felt-tip markers, typewriters and word-processors. But regardless of these instruments has usually of secondary importance. Jer-

miah was the instrument God used to deliver his word of warning to Judah. But Judah was not interested in the world of God, as if Jeremiah were a cheap, expendable pencil, Judah tried to break and cast aside God's instrument. Nevertheless, God's purposes were not thwarted. Jeremiah courageously announced God's protection for the penitent and destruction to the defiant. God's word must be given to this generation, and we are his instrument. Can he count on us? -C.R.B.

Question/Answer Section Q/A for the week of 5-15-2025

True or False

(Q) Jesus celebrated the Passover with the twelve in a large upper room.

(A) True – Mark 14:15-17

(Q) When Jesus healed the man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, He put his fingers in his ears and touched his tongue.

(A) True – Mark 7:33

(Q) Blind Bartimeus had to be encouraged to ask Jesus to heal him.

(A) False – Mark 10:47-48

Questions for the week of 5-22-2025

Multiple Choice

(Q) When the man with the palsy took up his bed and walked, what was the reaction of the crowd? (Apathy, Disbelief, or Amazement)

(Q) What did Jesus send two of his disciples to find? (A colt, A loaf of bread, or A place to Stay)

Today is a good day! Be grateful!

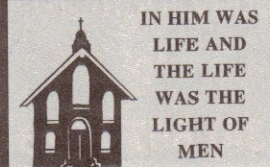
Eria's Daughter, Sue

Share Your Church News!

It's VBS season...

let us help you share the dates and times for your church!

email us at:
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ABOUNDING GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rockey Pearce, Pastor

Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH SAMSON, Ala.

Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Will Jordan, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH

Sam Self, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. . . 6:30 p.m.

BETHEL AME CHURCH

Deborah A. Butler, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class . . 6:30 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH

Greg Cotter, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Disciple Train . . . 5:30 p.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH

Robert Davis, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH

Remona Smith, Pastor
Church Service . . . 9:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night . . . 7:00 p.m.

CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH

Larry Mills, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night . . . 7:00 p.m.

COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday Fellowship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship . . 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Night "Peak of the Week" & meal . . . 5:30 p.m.
Bible Study & Prayer . . 6:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH

Mark Bookout, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. . . 7:00 p.m.

EANON BAPTIST CHURCH

Mark Ward, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:15 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST

Bible Study 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD

David Noble, Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 10:45 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY

H.L. Buckner, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night . . . 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. Night . . . 7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE

Allen Richards, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Billy Jones, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Kit Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA METHODIST CHURCH

Nathan Elliott, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Services . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Lovell Martin, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH

Mark Cooper, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Shirley Ellis, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

HOPE TEMPLE COGIC CHURCH

Glenwood, AL
Sunday Prayer . . . 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

Wesley D. Ard, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Wesley D. Ard, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH

Danny Branch, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 8:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:45 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Jack Fuller, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:45 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH

Heath Fountain, Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

LIVING WORLD CHURCH

Derrick Stinson, Pastor
Saturday Service . . 5:45 a.m.
Sunday Service . . . 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Youth Service 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST

Greg Hanchev, Minister
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. . 6:00 p.m.

LOVE'S WAY CHURCH

Charles Jones, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Edgar C. Peter, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday Service . . 7:00 p.m.

HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC CHURCH

W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

J. K. Parks, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Bib Stud Wed . . . 6:00 p.m.

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH

Dewey Emfinger, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. . 6:30 p.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Olson Strickland, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH

Alton Niens, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. . 6:30 p.m.

NEW GLORIOUS COGIC CHURCH

James Starks Jr., Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Bib Stud Wed . . . 6:00 p.m.

NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Lorelei Flowers, Minister
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

OLD TABERNACLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Lee Jones, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

PINEY GROVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD - SAMSON

Terry McCrummen, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Worship . . . 7:00 p.m.

PRaise & GLORY WORSHIP CENTER

Roy L. Turner, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH

A. R. Williams, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

ROETON BAPTIST CHURCH

Kerry Saxon, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. . 7:00 p.m.

SHADY GROVE AME CHURCH

James Boots, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH

Leon Fortune, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 4:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. . 6:30 p.m.

TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m.

ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Cary Mauden, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Donnie Marler, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

WISDOM CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

Mike Medley, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

LIFESTYLES



Miss Cheyanne Hussey was honored with a bridal shower Sunday, May 4, in Elba. Those pictured are (from left) Mrs. Tammy Gibson, mother of the bride; Miss Cheyanne Hussey, honoree; Mrs. Betsy Martin, mother of the groom; and Mrs. Elaine Martin, grandmother of the groom.

Cheyanne Hussey honored with bridal shower

The Elba Church of Christ Fellowship Room was the setting for a miscellaneous bridal shower honoring Miss Cheyanne Hussey, bride-elect of Mr. Griffin Martin, on Sunday afternoon, May 4, 2025.

The entrance doors were decorated with two spring flower covered wreaths.

The many guests were greeted by Miss Cheyanne Hussey, honoree; Mrs. Besty Martin, the mother of the future groom; Mrs. Tammy Gibson, mother of the honoree; and Mrs. Elaine Martin, grandmother of the future groom.

The guests were directed to the table adorned with a white cloth and elegantly draped in lavender silk. The table held

many party dainties.

The room was decorated with many beautiful ferns.

Hostesses for the shower were: Jenny Allen, JoAnn Driggers, Ceina Spicer, Katrina Calhoun, Lucia Grantham, DeAnn Grantham, Sally Bane, Lynn Baker, Valerie McGuire, Lisa Johnson, Jana Kelley, Nichole Capps, Cindy Camley, Debbie Curran, Cathy Young, Vicky Bailey, Rhonda Stephens, Jill Wilson, Jane Brunson, Judy Hall, Diane English, Janice Strickland, Charlotte Lamar, Gloria Stewart, and Betty Lawford.

The couple was united in marriage last Saturday evening, May 17, 2025.

Zion Chapel students build bus stop shelter for younger student with disabilities and his siblings

One Zion Chapel sixth grade student became the recipient of a special gift earlier this month created by two Zion Chapel juniors.

ZC bus driver James Carter wanted to find a way to help Trenton Moore and his siblings have a sheltered "pick up" spot for the bus, and his desire to help led to a conversation with ZC science teacher Morgan Murphy. From there, juniors and FFA members Brantley Forehand and Mason Lee got involved.

Carter said it was an "idea the good Lord just laid on me one day."

He said he wanted Moore and his siblings to have a good place to stay out of the weather until he could arrive with the bus to pick them up for school.

Carter shared his idea with Murphy, and he too was on board to make the idea a reality.

Knowing juniors Forehand and Lee had taken a carpentry assistant course through Enterprise State Junior College's Skills for Success program, Murphy said he felt these young men were perfect to help with the project. As part of their certification for the carpentry assistant program, they had constructed a basic small building last November.

Murphy, Forehand and Lee made modifications to their small building design, and the work on the new shelter began.

With donations of some supplies and using materials already on hand at the school, Forehand and Lee installed windows, put up siding, and painted the building.

"This shelter was 100 percent built by these students," Murphy said.

Zion Chapel principal

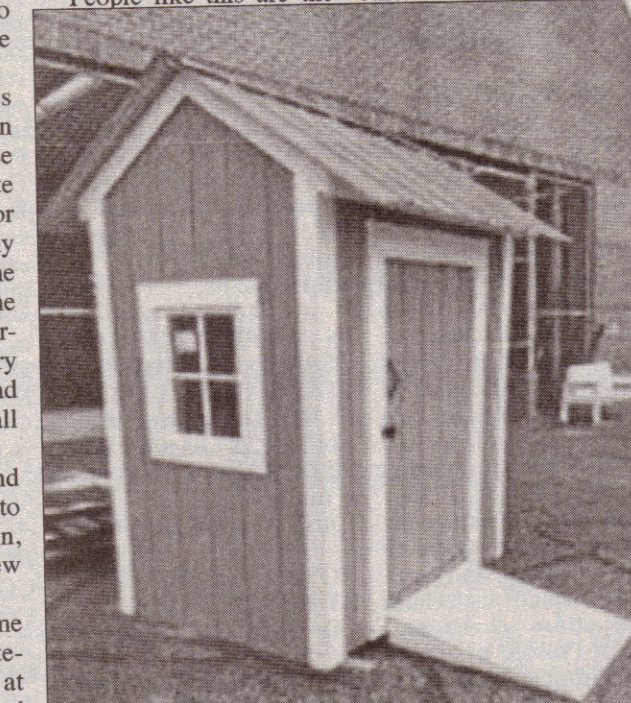


Pictured from left: Morgan Murphy, Bradley Forehand, James Carter, Trenton Moore, Mason Lee, and Jared Robison. (Submitted photo)

Jared Robison said these are outstanding young men who are always willing to help. He said they are always thinking about others.

"People like this are the heart of Zion Chapel," Robison said.

He said all the men involved in this project go above and beyond to help others.



This is the shelter constructed for Zion Chapel student Trenton Moore and his siblings to use at their bus stop.

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ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

Local Masons make scholarship presentations

The Elba Masonic Lodge 170 and Leverett Masonic Lodge 678 held its Awards Day presentation Saturday afternoon, May 17, for scholarship winners.

This was part of the Outreach Program of the lodges. There were several winners that could not attend the event.

The Grand Lodge of Alabama sponsors \$97,500 each year for the statewide program. Local lodges can sponsor up to \$2,000 each year on scholarships.

Thanks to the surrounding communities for their help and support to make this possible each year.



Local Masonic Lodge Scholarship recipients included: (front row, l to r) Jasmine Chyanne Brown, Alexis Ciera Bradley, and Anna Elizabeth Blackmon; (middle row, l to r) Malachi Stephen McNeil, Jacey Carol Boland, Jorja Beth Wilson, Camron Bailey Blackmon, and Jackson Clayton Fink. Also pictured from the Elba Masonic Lodge 170 are (top row, l to r) Eddie Kelley and W/M Mike Amison. (photo by Harry Young)

Registration underway for Elba Public Library's summer program

Registration for the Elba Public Library Summer Program "Color Our World" began Thursday, May 1, and is still underway. Those interested in participating can register online at www.elbapubliclibrary.com and click on "Summer Learning Program" - scroll to the bottom of the page to fill out and submit the form; also, stop by the Elba Public Library, located on Simmons Street in downtown Elba to register in person.

Jennifer Amlong, library director, has shared a "wish list" for the summer program.

"We always have friends asking how they can help," she said. "Donations to the summer program are always helpful."

Wish list items needed include individually wrapped snack, juice boxes, small bottled waters, and washable markers (fat and

thin).

Next week at the Elba Public Library -

• The library will be closed Monday, May 26, for Memorial Day

• Tuesday, May 27, the library will host Preschool at 9 a.m.; K-6th grades at 1 p.m.; and Teens at 4 p.m.

• Wednesday, May 28, the ART class will be at 10 a.m.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GARY J. STUMP, DECEASED
CASE NO.: PR-2025-048

NOTICE TO FILE CLAIMS

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Linda Lou Barber, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned on the 5th day of May, 2025, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate that they are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or they will be barred.

/s/ Christopher Charles Stump
Christopher Charles Stump
Personal Representative of said Estate
5/8,15&22-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION PETITION OF: JEREMY AND ELIZABETH FLIEG
CASE NO. PRA-2024-007

ADOPTEE: M.M.B. (DOB: 6/15/2020)

ORDER

All interested parties: Jeremy Branson Garner, and any Unknown Father are hereby notified that *Jeremy and Elizabeth Flieg* has filed a petition in the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama for the adoption of *Memphis Mae Beltran* and that a hearing has been set on the 14th day of July, 2025, at 9:00 o'clock A.M., at which time you may appear to contest the same if you so desire. Please be advised that if you intend to contest for said Petition, whose name and address are as shown below and with the Clerk of said Probate Court.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Jodee R. Thompson
Probate Judge

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5/8,15,22&29-chg.

LEGAL NOTICE
The State of Alabama, Coffee County Probate Court
Case No. PR-2025-072

ESTATE OF JOHN WILSON WRATHER, Deceased

Letters of Administration upon the Estate of said decedent, having been granted to the undersigned on the 5th day of May, 2025 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

Case No. PR-2025-072

Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate

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5/8,15&22-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: LINDA LOU BARBER, DECEASED.

CASE NO.: PR-2025-032

NOTICE TO FILE CLAIMS

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Linda Lou Barber, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned on the 5th day of May, 2025, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate that they are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or such claims will be barred.

/s/ Heavenly Hunter
Heavenly Hunter
Personal Representative
5/8,15&22-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of Lewis N. Martocci a/k/a Lewis Nicholas Martocci, Deceased.
Case No.: PR-2025-031

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Lewis N. Martocci a/k/a Lewis Nicholas Martocci, deceased, having been granted to Terry Lynn Thatcher, Personal Representative, on the 5th day of May, 2025, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge for Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

DONE this the 5th day of May, 2025.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Jodee R. Thompson,
Probate Judge
5/8,15&22-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

In the Matter of the Estate of David Roy Ellis, Deceased.
Case No.: PR-2025-083

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to Benjamin Lehn Ellis, Personal Representative, on the 1st day of May, 2025 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge for Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

DONE this the 1st day of May, 2025.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Jodee R. Thompson,
Probate Judge
5/8,15&22-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Matter of MATHEW ALAN BASSETT
A minor child
CASE NO. PR-2025-080

NOTICE OF HEARING BY PUBLICATION TO: ADAN OSNAYA

Please take note that a PETITION FOR CONSERVATORSHIP of MATHEW ALAN BASSETT, has been filed by CHRISTINA SEIDEL, Petitioner; having taken and considered said Petition.

IT IS hereby, ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED, that a HEARING is set for the Petition to be heard on the: 9th day of July, 2025, at 9:00 A.M.

In the Probate Court of Coffee County, located at 101 S. Edwards St. Enterprise, AL 36330
Attorney for Petitioner: Reginald A. Rhodes, (RHO005) 214 Perry Avenue, Dothan, AL 36303
5/15, 22, 29 & 6/5-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE THE ESTATE OF LISA APPLEWHITE (f/k/a GLENNIE LISA DANIELS),

Deceased.

CASE NO. PR-2025-092

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters of Administration of the said Deceased having been granted to Raley L. Wiggins on the 8th day of May, 2025, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Raley L. Wiggins
Capell & Howard, P.C.
P.O. Box 2069 (36102-2069)
150 South Perry Street
Montgomery, AL 36104
5/15, 22 & 29-pd

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF GARY D. DOBBS, Deceased.
CASE NO. PR-2025-097

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Letters Testamentary of Gary D. Dobbs, deceased, having been granted to James Anthony Dobbs and Charlene D. Chisum as Co-Personal Representatives, on the 19th day of May, 2025, by the Probate Judge, Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee Thompson
Hon. Jodee R. Thompson
Probate Judge, Coffee County, Alabama
Richard W. Whittaker, Attorney
300 E. Lee Street
Enterprise, AL 36330
(334) 393-5146

5/22, 29 & 6/5-pd

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of DEBRA J. WATSON, Deceased.
Case No.: PR-2025-088

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Debra J. Watson, having been granted to Norris V. Watson, Personal Representative, on the 19th day of May, 2025 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge for Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

DONE this the 19th day of May, 2025.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge
5/22, 29 & 6/5-pd

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MAUREEN PARIS DECEASED
CASE NO.: PR-2025-096

NOTICE TO FILE CLAIMS

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of MAUREEN PARIS, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned on the 14th day of May, 2025, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama. Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate that they are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or they will be barred.

/s/ Jerry Wayne Paris
JERRY WAYNE PARIS
Personal Representative of said Estate
5/22, 29 & 6/5 -pd

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Annual Drinking Water Quality Report January-December 2024

Elba Water Works

The Elba Water Works is pleased to present to you this year's Annual Quality Water Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. Elba Water Works has 4 ground water wells producing from the Clayton Aquifer. Elba Water Works also has a back up connection with Coffee County to purchase water, if necessary, we use chlorine for disinfection and we also have 4 tanks with a total capacity of 1.5 million gallons. We have a Source Water Protection Plan and a Well Head Protection Plan available from our office that provides more information such as potential sources of contamination. A map of the possible contaminate sites is available for viewing at the town hall. I'm pleased to report our drinking water is safe and meets federal and state requirements. If you have questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Melissa Morris at 334-897-2333. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend our regularly scheduled meetings held on the second Monday of each month, 5:30 PM, Elba City Hall at 200 Buford Street.

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Action Level (AL) - The concentration of a contaminant that triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system shall follow.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Elba Water Works routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. This table shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2024. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. It's important to remember that the presence of these contaminants does not necessarily pose a health risk. Below is a list of all the contaminants that were detected.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Millirems per year (mrem/yr) - Measure of radiation absorbed by the body. **Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU)** - Nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

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Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/L) - One part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

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Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - Picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Treatment Technique (TT) - A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Threshold Odor Number (T.O.N.) - The greatest dilution of a sample with odor-free water that still yields a just-detectable odor.

Variances & Exemptions - ADEM or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions.

Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system

A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.

General Information

All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. It's important to remember that the presence of these contaminants does not necessarily pose a health risk. The EPA or ADEM requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and radioactive material, and it can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activities.

We're proud that your drinking water meets or exceeds all Federal and State requirements. We have learned through our monitoring and testing that some contaminants have been detected. MCL's are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated contaminants, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

Total Coliform: The Total Coliform Rule requires water systems to meet a stricter limit for coliform bacteria. Coliform bacteria are usually harmless, but their presence in water can be an indication of disease-causing bacteria. When coliform bacteria are found, special follow-up tests are done to determine if harmful bacteria are present in the water supply. If this limit is exceeded, the water supplier must notify the public by newspaper, television or radio. To comply with the stricter regulation, we have increased the average amount of chlorine in the distribution system.

Lead in Drinking Water: "If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Owassa/Brownville Water Authority is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>." To ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water. Exposure to lead in drinking water can cause serious health effects in all age groups. Infants and children can have decreases in IQ and attention span. Lead exposure can lead to new learning and behavior problems or exacerbate existing learning and behavior problems. The children of women who are exposed to lead before or during pregnancy can have increased risk of these adverse health effects. Adults can have increased risks of heart disease, high blood pressure, kidney, or nervous system problems.

Our Lead Service Line Inventory was completed and submitted by the deadline of October 16, 2024 and a copy of it is in our office as required by EPA. If any would like to view it or has any questions, please feel free to contact our office. Radon is a naturally occurring gas present in some groundwater. Inhaled radon has been linked to lung cancer and may pose a health risk when inhaled after the release from water into the air. This inhalation could occur during showering, bathing, washing dishes, or washing clothes. The radon gas release from drinking water is a relatively small part of the total radon found in air. One major source of radon gas is from the soil, where the gas can seep through the foundations of homes. It is not clear whether ingested (i.e. taken through the mouth) radon contributes to Cancer or other adverse health conditions. If you are concerned about radon in your home, tests are available to determine the total exposure level. For additional information on home testing contact local health department

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. People who are immunocompromised such as cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy, organ transplant recipients, HIV/AIDS positive or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. People at risk should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)/CDC (Center of Disease Control) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking

Table of Primary Contaminants									
At high levels some primary contaminants are known to pose a health risk to humans. This table provides a quick glance of any primary contaminant detections.									
CONTAMINANT	MCL	AMOUNT DETECTED	CONTAMINANT	MCL	AMOUNT DETECTED	CONTAMINANT	MCL	AMOUNT DETECTED	
Bacteriological									
Total Coliform Bacteria	< 5%	ND	Barium (ppm)	50	ND	Epidichlorohydrin	10	ND	
Turbidity	1.0	ND	Organic Chemicals	2	ND	Ethylbenzene (ppb)	700	ND	
Fecal Coliform & E. coli	0	ND	Acrylamide	1.0	ND	Ethylene dibromide (ppb)	500	ND	
Biological									
Bathophenanthroline	4	ND	Alachlor (ppb)	2	ND	Glyphosate (ppb)	500	ND	
Benzophenone emitters (mrem/yr)	15	2.78	Atrazine (ppb)	3	ND	Malic acid (ppb)	50	ND	
Combined radium (pCi/L)	5	0.72	Benzene (ppb)	5	ND	Methoxychlor (ppb)	200	ND	
Uranium (pCi/L)	30	ND	Benzophenone (ppb)	200	ND	Methoxychlor (ppb)	50	ND	
Inorganic									
Arsimony (ppb)	6	ND	Carbon tetrachloride (ppb)	5	ND	Hexachlorobenzene (ppb)	200	ND	
Arsenic (ppb)	10	ND	Chloroform (ppb)	2	ND	Hexachlorocyclopentadiene (ppb)	50	ND	
Asbestos (MFL)	7	ND	Chlorobenzene (ppb)	100	ND	Methoxychlor (ppb)	200	ND	
Barium (ppm)	2	ND	Cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene (ppb)	70	ND	Oxamyl (ppb)	40	ND	
Beryllium (ppb)	4	ND	Dibromochloromethane (ppb)	200	ND	Pesticides (ppb)	1	ND	
Bromate (ppb)	10	ND	Dibromodichloromethane (ppb)	200	ND	Pesticides (ppb)	1	ND	
Cadmium (ppb)	5	ND	Dichlorobenzene (ppb)	600	ND	Pesticides (ppb)	1	ND	
Chloroform (ppm)	4	ND	p-Dichlorobenzene (ppb)	75	ND	Pesticides (ppb)	100	ND	
Chlorine dioxide (ppb)	800	ND	1,2-Dichloroethane (ppb)	5	ND	Tetrahydrofuran (ppb)	5	ND	
Chlorite (ppm)	1	ND	1,1-Dichloroethylene (ppb)	7	ND	Toluene (ppm)	1	ND	
Chromium (ppb)	100	ND	trans-1,2-Dichloroethylene (ppb)	100	ND	Tribromomethane (ppb)	100	ND	
Copper (ppm)	AL=1.3	0.11	1,2-Dichloroethane (ppb)	160	ND	Tribromomethane (ppb)	3	ND	
Cyanide (ppb)	200	ND	Di-(2-ethylhexyl)adipate (ppb)	400	ND	1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene (ppb)	50	ND	
Fluoride (ppm)	4	ND	Di-(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (ppb)	6	ND	1,1,1-Trichloroethane (ppb)	200	ND	
Lead (ppb)	AL=15	ND	Dioxin (2,3,7,8-TCDD) (ppb)	30	ND	1,1,1-Trichloroethane (ppb)	5	ND	
Mercury (ppb)	2	ND	Dioxin (2,3,7,8-TCDD) (ppb)	30	ND	Trichloroethylene (ppb)	5	ND	
Nitrate (ppm)	10	ND	Dioxin (ppb)	20	ND	Vinyl Chloride (ppb)	2	ND	
Nitrite (ppm)	1	ND	Dioxin (ppb)	10	ND	Xylenes (ppm)	10	ND	
Total Nitrate & Nitrite	10	ND	Dioxin (ppb)	2	ND				

Table of Secondary and Unregulated Contaminants									
Secondary Drinking Water Standards are guidelines regulating contaminants that may cause cosmetic effects (such as skin or tooth discoloration) or aesthetic effects (such as taste, odor, or color) in drinking water. ADEM has Secondary Drinking Water Standards established in state regulations applicable to water systems required to monitor for the various components. Unregulated contaminants are those for which EPA has not established drinking water standards. The purpose of unregulated contaminant monitoring is to assist EPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether future regulation is warranted.									
CONTAMINANT	MCL	DETECT	CONTAMINANT	MCL	DETECT	CONTAMINANT	MCL	DETECT	
Secondary									
Aluminum	0.2	ND	Foaming Agents	0.5	ND	Silver	7	ND	
Chloride	250	ND	Iron	0.3	0.92	Sulfate	70	11.2	
Color (PCU)	15	ND	Magnesium	5	20	Total Dissolved Solids	100	208	
Copper	1	ND	Odor (T.O.N.)	5	ND	Zinc	5	0.35	
Special									
Calcium	N/A	65.10	pH (SU)	N/A	7.60	Temperature (°C)	N/A	ND	
Carbon Dioxide	N/A	6.4	Sodium	N/A	7.10	Total Alkalinity	N/A	178	
Manganese	0.05	ND	Specific Conductance (umhos)	<500	330.00	Total Hardness (as CaCO3)	N/A	184	
Unregulated									
1,1-Dichloroethene	N/A	ND	Bromobenzene	N/A	ND	Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	N/A	ND	
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	N/A	ND	Bromodichloromethane	N/A	ND	Isopropylbenzene	N/A	ND	
1,1-Dichloroethane	N/A	ND	Bromodichloromethane	N/A	7.00	M-Dichlorobenzene	N/A	ND	
1,2,3-Trichlorobenzene	N/A	ND	Bromoforn	N/A	ND	Methanol	N/A	ND	
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	N/A	ND	Bromomethane	N/A	ND	Methoxychlor	N/A	ND	
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	N/A	ND	Butachlor	N/A	ND	Methoxychlor	N/A	ND	
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	N/A	ND	Carbaryl	N/A	ND	MTBB	N/A	ND	
1,1-Dichloroethene	N/A	ND	Chloroethane	N/A	ND	N-Butylbenzene	N/A	ND	
1,1-Dichloroethene	N/A	ND	Chlorobromomethane	N/A	ND	Naphthalene	N/A	ND	
1,1,5,5-Tetrachlorobenzene	N/A	ND	Chloroform	N/A	5.50	N-Propylbenzene	N/A	ND	
1,1-Dichloroethene	N/A	ND	Chloromethane	N/A	ND	N-Propylbenzene	N/A	ND	
3-Hydroxybenzofuran	N/A	ND	Dibromochloromethane	N/A	4.50	P-Chlorotoluene	N/A	ND	
Aldicarb	N/A	ND	Dibromomethane	N/A	ND	P-Isopropylbenzene	N/A	ND	
Alifluor	N/A	ND	Dichlorodifluoromethane	N/A	ND	Propylene	N/A	ND	
Alkyl Sulfonate	N/A	ND	Dieldrin	N/A	ND	Ses-Butylbenzene	N/A	ND	
Altrin	N/A	ND	Fluorochloromethane	N/A	ND	Tert-Butylbenzene	N/A	ND	
PFAS Compounds									
CONTAMINANT	RESULTS	UNITS	CONTAMINANT	RESULTS	UNITS	CONTAMINANT	RESULTS	UNITS	
1,1,1,1-PPFO/OLAS	0.007	ug/L	Perfluorooctanoic Acid	ND	ug/L	Perfluorooctanoic Acid	ND	ug/L	
9CI-PPFOs	0.004	ug/L	Perfluorooctanoic Acid	ND	ug/L	Perfluorooctadecanoic Acid	ND	ug/L	
ADONA	ND	ug/L	Perfluorodecanoic Acid	0.0044	ug/L	Perfluorodecanoic Acid	0.0075	ug/L	
HFOA-DA	ND	ug/L	Perfluorohexanoic Acid	ND	ug/L	Perfluorodecanoic Acid	0.0077	ug/L	
NEFOA-A	0.0071	ug/L	Perfluorohexanoic Acid	ND	ug/L	Total PFAS	0.0556	ug/L	
MeFOSA-A	0.0063	ug/L	Perfluorooctanoic Acid	ND	ug/L				
Perfluorobutanesulfonic Acid	ND	ug/L	Perfluorooctanesulfonic Acid	ND	ug/L				

Table of Detected Drinking Water Contaminants									
CONTAMINANT	MCLG	MCL	Range		Amount Detected		Likely Source of Contamination		
Bacteriological Contaminants January - December									
Total Coliform Bacteria	0	< 5%			ND	ND	Present or Absent	Naturally present in the environment	
Turbidity	0	1.0	TT		ND	NTU	NTU	Soil runoff	
Radiological Contaminants January - December									
Alpha emitters	0	15				2.78	pCi/L	Erosion of natural deposits	
Combined Radium 226 & 228	0	5				ND	pCi/L	Erosion of natural deposits	
Uranium	0	30				ND	pCi/L	Erosion of natural deposits	
Inorganic Contaminants January - December									
Barium (2015)	2	2	ND	-	ND	ND	ppm	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits	
Chlorine	MRLD LG 4	MRLD L 4			ND	ND	ppm	Water additive used to disinfect	
			No. of Sites above action level		0			Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives	
Copper	1.3	10 Sites AL=1.3				ND	ppm	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewerage; erosion of natural deposits	
Nitrate (as N)	10	10	ND	-	ND	ND	ppm	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewerage; erosion of natural deposits	
Total Nitrate & Nitrite	10	10	ND	-	ND	0.19	ppm	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewerage; erosion of natural deposits	
Organic Contaminants January - December									
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	0	60	ND	-	2.50	2.50	ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination	
Total trihalomethanes (THM5)	0	80	5.80	-	18.00	18.00	ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination	
Secondary Contaminants January - December									
Chloride	N/A	250	ND	-	ND	ND	ppm	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of agricultural runoff	
Color	N/A	15	ND	-	ND	ND	PCU	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of treatment with water additives	
Iron	N/A	0.3	ND	-	0.92	0.92	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits	
Manganese	N/A	0.05	4.50	-	5.20	5.20	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits	
Sulfate	N/A	250	ND	-	11.20	11.20	ppm	Naturally occurring in the environment	
Total Dissolved Solids	N/A	500	170.00	-	208.00	208.00	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits	
Zinc	N/A	5	ND	-	0.35	0.35	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits	
Special Contaminants January - December									
Calcium	N/A	N/A	58.10	-	65.10	65.10	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits	
Carbon Dioxide	N/A	N/A	ND	-	6.40	6.40	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits	
pH	N/A	N/A	7.50	-	7.60	7.60	SU	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of treatment with water additives	
Sodium	N/A	N/A	3.20	-	7.10	7.10	ppm	Naturally occurring in the environment	
Specific Conductance	N/A	<500	279.00	-	330.00	330.00	umhos	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of treatment with water additives	
Total Alkalinity	N/A	N/A	138.00	-	181.00	178.00	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits	
Total Hardness (as CaCO3)	N/A	N/A	165.00	-	184.00	184.00	ppm	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of treatment with water additives	
Unregulated Contaminants January - December									
1,1,1-Trichloroethene	N/A	N/A	ND	-	ND	ND	ppb	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff; by-product of chlorination	
Chloroform	N/A	N/A	ND	-	0.00	0.00	ppb	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff; by-product of chlorination	

LEGAL NOTICES:

(More Legal Notices on Pages 3 & 6)

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LEVY H. WARD, DECEASED,

SHAWN W. CARTER AND MICHELE W. FIELDER, CO-PETITIONERS.
CASE NO.: 25-0074

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Levy H. Ward, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned on the 1st day of May, 2025, by Toby L. Seay, the Judge of the Probate Court of said County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Shawn W. Carter
 Co-Personal Representative
 /s/ Michele W. Fielder
 Michele W. Fielder
 Co-Personal Representative

Attorney for Estate:
 Jeffery D. Hatcher
 P.O. Box 189
 Geneva, Alabama 36340
 5/8,15&22-pd.

STATE OF ALABAMA GENEVA COUNTY NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the payment of indebtedness secured by that certain mortgage executed by Oscar Hamilton on the 26th day of May of 2022, to First South Farm Credit, ACA, which said mortgage is recorded in the Probate Office of Geneva County, Alabama, in Mortgage Book 1241 at Page 472, and in the Probate office of Covington County, Alabama, in Mortgage Book 2024 at Page 14173; and by reason of such default, having declared, all of the indebtedness secured by said mortgage due and payable, and such default continuing, notice is hereby given that, acting under the power of sale contained in said mortgage, First South Farm Credit, ACA will sell at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door, in the City of Geneva, Geneva County, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on the 29th day of May, 2025, the following described real estate situated in Geneva County, Alabama, and Covington County, Alabama, to-wit:

PROPERTY 1:
 Point of beginning is a capped iron found (BLS#CA673) at the Southwest corner of the Northeast 1/4, Southwest 1/4, Section 36, Township 1 North, Range 17 East, Covington County, Alabama. Thence N0° 51'54"W for 477.82 feet to a capped iron (TEM#25655), thence N89°22'31"E for 210.00 feet to a capped iron (TEM#25655), thence N0°52'43"W for 420.13 feet to a capped iron found (ALS#26950). Thence N89°21 '06"E for 420.09 feet to a capped iron found (ALS#26950), thence N0°52'07"W for 419.95 feet to a capped iron found (ALS#26950) on the South margin of an unimproved drive, thence N89°21 '21"E along said margin for 50.00 feet to a capped iron (TEM#25655). Thence S0°51'54"E for 1320.43 feet to a capped iron (TEM#25655) on the South line of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4, Section 36. Thence S89°34'21"W along said South line for 679.98 feet to the POB and containing 12.49 acres more or less.

Also: Point-of-Commencement (POC) is a capped iron (9106) found at the Southwest corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4, Section 36, Township 1 North, Range 17 East, Covington County, Alabama; thence N 89°34'21" East for 679.98 feet to a capped iron (#25655), thence N 0°51 '54" West for 958.00 feet to a capped iron (#25655); thence S 88°22'01" East for 225.91 feet to a capped iron (#9106); thence S

88°22'01" East for 325.48 feet to a capped iron (#9106) on the West margin of McPhail Farm Road; thence S 7°47'32" West along the Western margin of said road for 947.88 feet to a capped iron (#25655) on the South line of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4; thence S 89°34'20" West for 408.20 feet to the POB and containing 10.46 acres more or less.

PROPERTY 2:
 The N 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4, the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4, the S 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4, Section 18 in Geneva County, Alabama.

Also, the W 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4, Section 19, all in Township 1 North, Range 19 East, in Geneva County, Alabama. Together with the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging and all fixtures now attached to and used in connection with the premises herein described. Said property will be sold on an "AS IS, WHERE IS" basis subject to right of way easements and restrictions of record in the Probate Office of Covington County, Alabama, and in the Probate Office of Geneva County, Alabama, and will be subject to existing special assessments, if any, which might adversely affect the title to subject property.

Said sale will be made for the purpose of paying the indebtedness secured by the above-described mortgage, and the proceeds thereof will be applied as provided by the terms of said mortgage. Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

JAMES H. HUETT and JOYCE W. HUETT Plaintiffs,
vs.
CASE NO. CV-2025-900043.00

One tract of land lying in Bellwood, Alabama, and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning on Railroad right-of-way 134 feet West of Sewer pipe and running in a Northerly direction to the Bell Creek, thence up said Creek to land known as the Walter Dowling land, thence along said Dowling land West to the land known as the L.B. Spear land, thence West along Spear land to the Railroad right-of-way, thence down said Railroad right-of-way to the point of beginning, containing in all 1.2 acres more or less in Section 1, Township 2 North, Range 22 East, Geneva County, Alabama, A Defendant in rem, JIMMY MCCRAY, FORD MOTOR CREDIT CO, LLC, STATE OF ALABAMA, DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, and any unknown heirs and any persons claiming a right or interest in the above property. Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION
 JIMMY MCCRAY and any and all unknown parties whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer Plaintiffs' Petition to Quiet Title and other relief by **June 30, 2025** or thereafter a judgment and default may be rendered against them in Case Number 34-CV-2025-900043.00.00 of the Circuit

Court of Geneva County. Done this 1st day of May, 2025.

Ashley Powell,
 Clerk of Circuit Court of Geneva County
 /s/ David F. Holmes
 DAVID F. HOLMES, P.C. Attorney for Plaintiffs
 P. O. Box 1180
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 5/8,15,22&29-chg.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of Thomas A. Green, Deceased
Case No. 25-0076

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary of said deceased have been granted to Jason Arnold Green, Personal Representative, on the 6th day of May, 2025 by the Honorable Toby L. Seay, Judge of Probate Court, Geneva County, Alabama. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or same will be barred.

/s/ Toby L. Seay
 Judge of Probate

Alfred J. Danner
 Attorney for Petitioner
 P.O. Box 33
 Geneva, AL 36340
 5/15, 22 & 29-pd

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA.

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF BARBARA EHRHART DECEASED.
CASE NO.: 2025-0024

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters of Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to Theresa Hadlock, on the 13th day of February, 2025, by the Honorable Toby L. Seay, Judge of Probate Court of Geneva County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Toby L. Seay, Probate Judge
 5/15, 22 & 29-pd

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF J.N.E., A minor child
d/o/b 12/22/2020
CASE NO. JU 2023-274.02

NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS ACTION

Notice to: the unknown father, of J.N.E dob 12/22/2020, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the Coffee County Department of Human Resources' petition for Termination of Parental Rights and other relief by the 7th day of August 2025, or, thereafter, a judgment by default may be rendered against him in Case No. 19 JU 2023-274.02, in the Juvenile Court of Coffee County, Alabama, Enterprise Division. A final hearing has not been set in this matter.

Done this, the 9th day of May, 2025.
 Hon. Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Circuit

99 S. Edwards Street
 Enterprise, Alabama 36330
 Juvenile Court of Coffee County, Alabama, Enterprise Division.

Ashley Cranford Marshall
 Attorney for CCDHR
 P.O. Box 31141
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 5/15, 22, 29 & 6/5-pd.

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF

E.G.B.R. A minor child
d/o/b 10/18/2023
CASE NO. 2024-105.02

NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS ACTION

Notice to: the unknown father, of E.G.B.R dob 10/18/2023, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the Coffee County Department of Human Resources' petition for Termination of Parental Rights and other relief by the 7th day of August 2025, or, thereafter, a judgment by default may be rendered against him in Case No. 71 JU 2024-105.02, in the Juvenile Court of Coffee County, Alabama, Enterprise Division. A final hearing has not been set in this matter.

Done this, the 9th day of May, 2025.

Hon. Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Circuit
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 5/15, 22, 29 & 6/5-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Matter of BENTLEY MCMATH A minor child
CASE NO. PR-2025-082

NOTICE OF HEARING BY PUBLICATION TO: AVERY MCMATH

Please take note that a PETITION FOR CONSERVATORSHIP OF BENTLEY MCMATH, has been filed by CHRISTINA SEIDEL, Petitioner; having taken and considered said Petition, IT IS hereby, ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED, that a HEARING is set for the Petition to be heard on the: 9th day of July, 2025, at 9:00 A.M. In the Probate Court of Coffee County, located at 101 S. Edwards St. Enterprise, AL 36330 Attorney for Petitioner: Reginald A. Rhodes, (RHO005) 214 Perry Avenue, Dothan, AL 36303 5/15, 22, 29 & 6/5-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF JONAS DAWAYNE MESSICK, Deceased.
CASE NO: PC-2025-011 and 011B

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to Janie Marie Hocutt on the 6th day of May 2025 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be forever barred.

Witness my hand this the 6th day of May 2025.
 Janie Marie Hocutt
 Personal Representative
 Matt Brunson
 Attorney for the Petitioner
 5/15, 22 & 29-pd

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JERRY L. REED, DECEASED
CASE NO.: PR-2025-095

NOTICE TO FILE CLAIMS

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of JERRY L. REED, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned on the 12th day of May, 2025, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama. Notice is hereby given to

all persons having claims against said estate that they are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or they will be barred.

/s/ Hellon Reed
 HELLON REED
 Personal Presentative of said Estate
 5/15, 22 & 29-pd

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ELMER CHESTER REED, JR., Deceased.
CASE NO. PR 2025-093

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Carla Marie Reed, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Elmer Chester Reed, Jr., deceased, on the 12th day of May, 2025 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
 Judge of Probate
 5/15, 22 & 29-pd.

LEGAL NOTICE, IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION PRA-2025-4.00

To: Marquise Jacques:

You are hereby given notice that an adoption petition has been filed by James and Christy Reid requesting the Coffee County Probate Court, Enterprise Division, grant them an adoption of E.B., Born to Kayla Burton, dob 3/25/2020. You are given notice as the putative father of said child. You may appear in the adoption proceeding to contest or to support the petition.

You have 30 days from the time of proper service of the notice to respond to the notice. If you fail to respond within 30 days of proper service, the court may construe that failure as an implied consent to the adoption and as a waiver of a right to appear and of further notice of the adoption proceedings. If the adoption is approved, your parental rights, if any, will be considered terminated. You may file an Answer with the Clerk of the Probate Court and with Petitioner's attorney: Hon. Jordan H. Campbell at 127 East College Street, Enterprise, Alabama 36330. A final hearing has been set for TBD at the Coffee County Courthouse, Enterprise Division, at 99 S. Edwards Street, Enterprise, Alabama 36330.

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 5/15,22,29&6/5-chg.

LEGAL NOTICE, IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION PRA-2025-7.00

To: Travis Jade Williams:

You are hereby given notice that an adoption petition has been filed by James and Christy Reid requesting the Coffee County Probate Court, Enterprise Division, grant them an adoption of T.R., born to Juliana Rezek dob 11/21/2022. You are given notice as the putative father of said child. You may appear in the adoption proceeding to contest or to support the petition.

You have 30 days from the time of proper service of the notice to respond to the notice. If you fail to respond within 30 days of proper service, the court may construe that failure as an implied consent to the adoption and as a waiver of a right to appear and of further notice of the adoption proceedings. If the adoption is approved, your parental rights, if any, will be considered terminated. You may file an Answer

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN RE: THE CONSERVATORSHIP OF GUYDONNA HAGERMANN,
CASE NO. PR-2023-067

NOTICE OF FILING OF FINAL SETTLEMENT
 YOU WILL TAKE NOTICE that CHERYL LEUSCHNER, as Conservator of the Estate of an alleged incapacitated person, GUYDONNA HAGERMANN, filed her account for a Final settlement of said Estate on the 7th day of May, 2025, and that the 16th day of July, 2025 at 9:30 o'clock a.m. has been appointed as a date to hear said settlement in the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama.

DONE this the 7th day of May, 2025.
 /s/ Jodee R. Thompson
 Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge
 5/22, 29 & 6/5-chg.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of Gary Judson Hamel, Deceased.
Case No.: PR-2025-066

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT
 Letters Testamentary having been granted to Daniel Judson Hamel as Personal Representative of the Estate of Gary Judson Hamel on the 19th day of May, 2025 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge for Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

DONE this the 19th day of May, 2025.
 /s/ Jodee R. Thompson
 Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge
 5/22, 29 & 6/5-pd

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF RONALD PAUL REID, DECEASED,

CHRISTOPHER P. REID and BRIAN J. REID, CO-PETITIONERS.

CASE NO. 25-0079

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Ronald Paul Reid, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned on the 13th day of May, 2025, by Toby L. Seay, the Judge of the Probate Court of said County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Christopher P. Reid
 Christopher P. Reid
 Co-Personal Representative
 /s/ Brian J. Reid
 Brian J. Reid

Attorney for Estate:
 Jeffery D. Hatcher
 P.O. Box 189
 Geneva, Alabama 36340
 5/22, 29 & 6/5 -pd

Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

Jack Water System, Inc. January-December 2024

Is my water safe?

Last year, as in years past, your tap water met all U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) drinking water health standards. Your local water officials vigilantly safeguard its water supplies and once again we are proud to report that our system has not violated a maximum contaminant level or any other water quality standards. We're pleased to present to you this year's Annual Drinking Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. Our water source is one groundwater well. The water we supply comes from the Clayton Aquifer. The water we provide to our customers requires no specialized treatment. However, chlorine is added to the water for disinfection purposes. This ensures the quality of water throughout our distribution system.

The Jack Water System routinely completes a water storage facility inspection plan and utilizes a Bacteriological Monitoring Plan and a Cross Connection Policy in place to insure good safe drinking water for our customers. The Jack Water System have both completed a Source Water Assessment Plan which is available at our offices for review. This report provides information about potential sources of contamination and is set up to help protect our source.

We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled Board meetings. They are held on the first Monday of each month at the Zion Chapel Senior Citizens located at Highway 87 North, in Jack, and begin at 7:00 p.m.

Board of Directors

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Important Drinking Water Definitions:

Action Level (AL) - The concentration of a contaminant that triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system shall follow.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below, which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Millirems per year (mrem/yr) - Measure of radiation absorbed by the body.

Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) - Nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/L) - One part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter (µg/L) - One part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Parts per trillion (ppt) or Nanograms per liter (ng/L) - One part per trillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000.

Parts per quadrillion (ppq) or Picograms per liter (pg/L) - One part per quadrillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000,000 years or one penny in \$10,000,000,000,000.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - Picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Treatment Technique (TT) - A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Threshold Odor Number (T.O.N.) - The greatest dilution of a sample with odor-free water that still yields a just-detectable odor.

Variances & Exemptions - ADEM or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions.

Explanation of reasons for variance/exemptions:

Based on a study conducted by ADEM with the approval of the EPA a statewide waiver for the monitoring of asbestos and dioxin was issued. Thus, monitoring for these contaminants was not required. The Jack Water System and the Pike County Water Authority routinely monitor for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in the following tables show the results of our monitoring period of January 1st to December 31st, 2024.

Table of Primary Contaminants

At high levels some primary contaminants are known to pose a health risks to humans. This table provides a quick glance of any primary contaminant detections.								
CONTAMINANT	MCL	AMOUNT DETECTED	CONTAMINANT	MCL	DETECTED	CONTAMINANT	MCL	AMOUNT DETECTED
Bacteriological			Selenium(ppb)	50	ND	Epichlorohydrin	TT	ND
Total Coliform Bacteria	< 5%	ND	Thallium(ppb)	2	ND	Ethylbenzene(ppb)	700	ND
Turbidity	TT	ND	Organic Chemicals			Ethylene dibromide(ppb)	50	ND
Fecal Coliform & E. coli	0	ND	Acrylamide	TT	ND	Glyphosate(ppb)	700	ND
Radiological			Alachlor(ppb)	2	ND	Halooactic Acids(ppb)	60	ND
Beta photon emitters (mrem/yr)	4	ND	Atrazine(ppb)	3	ND	Heptachlor(ppb)	400	ND
Alpha emitters (pci/l)	15	2.92 +/- 0.783	Benzene(ppb)	5	ND	Heptachlor epoxide(ppb)	200	ND
Combined radium (pci/l)	5	0.527 +/- 0.386	Benzo(a)pyrene (PHAs)(ppb)	200	ND	Hexachlorobenzene(ppb)	1	ND
Uranium (pci/l)	30	ND	Carbon Tetrachloride(ppb)	40	ND	Hexachlorocyclopentadiene(ppb)	50	ND
Inorganic			Chloroform(ppb)	5	ND	Lindane(ppb)	200	ND
Antimony (ppb)	6	ND	Chlordane(ppb)	2	ND	Methoxychlor(ppb)	40	ND
Arsenic (ppb)	10	ND	Chlorobenzene(ppb)	100	ND	Osamyl (Vdlate)(ppb)	200	ND
Asbestos (MFL)	7	ND	2,4-D	70	ND	Pentachlorophenol(ppb)	1	ND
Barium (ppm)	2	ND	Dalapon(ppb)	200	ND	Picloram(ppb)	500	ND
Beryllium (ppb)	4	ND	Dibromochloropropane(ppb)	200	ND	PCBs(ppb)	500	ND
Bromate(ppb)	10	ND	p-Dichlorobenzene(ppb)	600	ND	Simazine(ppb)	4	ND
Cadmium (ppb)	5	ND	p-Dichlorobenzene(ppb)	75	ND	Styrene(ppb)	100	ND
Chloramines(ppm)	4	ND	1,2-Dichloroethane(ppb)	5	ND	Tetrachloroethylethene(ppb)	5	ND
Chlorine(ppm)	4	1.75	1,1-Dichloroethylene(ppb)	7	ND	Toluene(ppm)	1	ND
Chlorine dioxide(ppb)	800	ND	Cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene(ppb)	70	ND	TOC	TT	ND
Chlorites(ppm)	1	ND	trans-1,2-Dichloroethylene(ppb)	100	ND	Trihal(ppb)	80	ND
Chromium (ppb)	100	ND	Dichloromethane(ppb)	5	ND	Toxaphene(ppb)	3	ND
Copper (ppm)	AL=1.3	0.053	1,2-Dichloropropane(ppb)	5	ND	2,4,5-TP (Silvex)(ppb)	50	ND
Cyanide (ppb)	200	ND	Di-(2-ethylhexyl)adipate(ppb)	400	ND	1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene(ppb)	70	ND
Fluoride (ppm)	4	ND	Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate(ppb)	6	ND	1,1,1-Trichloroethane(ppb)	200	ND
Lead (ppb)	AL=15	ND	Dinoseb(ppb)	7	ND	1,1,2-Trichloroethane(ppb)	5	ND
Mercury (ppb)	2	ND	Dioxin(2,3,7,8-TCDD)(ppg)	30	ND	Trichloroethylene(ppb)	5	ND
Nitrate (ppm)	10	ND	Diquat(ppb)	20	ND	Vinyl Chloride(ppb)	2	ND
Nitrite (ppm)	1	ND	Endothal(ppb)	100	ND	Xylenes(ppm)	10	ND
Total Nitrate & Nitrite	10	ND	Endrin(ppb)	2	ND			

Table of Secondary and Unregulated Contaminants

Secondary Drinking Water Standards are guidelines regulating contaminants that may cause cosmetic effects (such as skin or tooth discoloration) or aesthetic effects (such as taste, odor, or color) in drinking water. ADEM has Secondary Drinking Water Standards established in state regulations applicable to water systems required to monitor for the various components. **Unregulated contaminants** are those for which EPA has not established drinking water standards. The purpose of unregulated contaminant monitoring is to assist EPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether future regulation is warranted.

CONTAMINANT	MCL	DETECT	CONTAMINANT	MCL	DETECT	CONTAMINANT	MCL	DETECT
Secondary								
Aluminum	0.2	ND	Foaming Agents	0.5	ND	Silver	7	ND
Chloride	250	ND	Iron	0.3	ND	Sulfate	70	ND
Color (PCU)	15	ND	Magnesium	75	ND	Total Dissolved Solids	500	ND
Copper	1	ND	Odor (T.O.N.)	5	ND	Zinc	5	ND
Special								
Calcium	N/A	ND	pH (SU)	N/A	ND	Temperature (°C)	N/A	ND
Carbon Dioxide	N/A	ND	Sodium	N/A	ND	Total Alkalinity	N/A	ND
Manganese	0.05	ND	Specific Conductance (umhos)	N/A	ND	Total Hardness (as CaCO3)	N/A	ND
Unregulated								
1,1-Dichloropropene	N/A	ND	Bromobenzene	N/A	ND	Hexachlorobutadiene	N/A	ND
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	N/A	ND	Bromochloromethane	N/A	ND	Isopropylbenzene	N/A	ND
1,1-Dichloroethane	N/A	ND	Bromodichloromethane	N/A	ND	M-Dichlorobenzene	N/A	ND
1,2,3-Trichlorobenzene	N/A	ND	Bromoforn	N/A	ND	Methomyl	N/A	ND
1,2,3-Trichloropropane	N/A	ND	Bromomethane	N/A	ND	Metolachlor	N/A	ND
1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	N/A	ND	Butachlor	N/A	ND	Metribuzin	N/A	ND
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	N/A	ND	Carbaryl	N/A	ND	MIBK	N/A	ND
1,3-Dichloropropane	N/A	ND	Chloroethane	N/A	ND	N-Butylbenzene	N/A	ND
1,3-Dichloropropene	N/A	ND	Chlorodibromomethane	N/A	ND	Naphthalene	N/A	ND
1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene	N/A	ND	Chloroform	N/A	ND	N-Propylbenzene	N/A	ND
2,2-Dichloropropane	N/A	ND	Chloromethane	N/A	ND	O-Chlorotoluene	N/A	ND
3-Hydroxycarbofuran	N/A	ND	Dibromochloromethane	N/A	ND	P-Chlorotoluene	N/A	ND
Aldicarb	N/A	ND	Dibromomethane	N/A	ND	P-Isopropyltoluene	N/A	ND
Aldicarb Sulfone	N/A	ND	Dichlorodifluoromethane	N/A	ND	Propachlor	N/A	ND
Aldicarb Sulfide	N/A	ND	Dieldrin	N/A	ND	Sec-Butylbenzene	N/A	ND
Aldrin	N/A	ND	Fluorotrichloromethane	N/A	ND	Tert-Butylbenzene	N/A	ND

Table of Detected Drinking Water Contaminants

CONTAMINANT	MCLG	MCL	Range	Amount Detected	Likely Source of Contamination
Bacteriological Contaminants January - December					
Total Coliform Bacteria	0	< 5%		ND	Naturally present in the environment
Turbidity	0	TT		ND	NTU Soil runoff
Fecal Coliform & E. coli	0	0		ND	Present or Absent Human and animal fecal waste
Viruses, Giardia	0	TT		0	Present or Absent Human and animal fecal waste
Legionella	0	TT		0	Present or Absent Found naturally in water, multiplies in heating systems
Radiological Contaminants January - December					
Beta particle and photon	0	4		ND	mrem/yr Decay of natural and man-made deposits
Alpha emitters	0	15		2.92 +/- 0.783	pCi/L Erosion of natural deposits
Combined Radium 226 & 228	0	5		0.527 +/- 0.386	pCi/L Erosion of natural deposits
Uranium	0	30		ND	pCi/L Erosion of natural deposits
Inorganic Contaminants January - December					
Chlorine	MRDLG 4	MRDL 4	1-11	1.75	ppm Water additive used to control microbes
Copper	1.3	10 Sites AL=1.3	No. of Sites above action level 0	0.053	ppm Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Lead	0	10 Sites AL=15	No. of Sites above action level 0	ND	ppm Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate (as N)	10	10	ND	ND	ppm Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks; sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Nitrite (as N)	1	1	ND	ND	ppm Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks; sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Total Nitrate & Nitrite	10	10	ND	ND	ppm Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks; sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Organic Contaminants January - December					
Halooctic Acids (HAAS)	0	60	ND	ND	ppb By-product of drinking water chlorination
Total trihalomethanes (THM)	0	80	ND	ND	ppb By-product of drinking water chlorination

GENERAL INFORMATION

All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. It's important to remember that the presence of these contaminants does not necessarily pose a health risk. The EPA or ADEM requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and radioactive material, and it can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activities.

As you can see by the tables, our system had no monitoring violations of allowable limits of contaminants in drinking water. We're proud that your drinking water meets or exceeds all Federal and State requirements. We have learned through our monitoring and testing that some contaminants have been detected. The EPA has determined that your water IS SAFE at these levels. MCL's are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated contaminants, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

Total Coliform: The Total Coliform Rule requires water systems to meet a stricter limit for coliform bacteria. Coliform bacteria are usually harmless, but their presence in water can be an indication of disease-causing bacteria. When coliform bacteria are found, special follow-up tests are done to determine if harmful bacteria are present in the water supply. If this limit is exceeded, the water supplier must notify the public by newspaper, television or radio. To comply with the stricter regulation, we have increased the average amount of chlorine in the distribution system.

Lead in Drinking Water: "If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Jack Water System is responsible for providing high quality drinking water but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>."

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. People who are immuno-compromised such as cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy, organ transplant recipients, HIV/AIDS positive or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. People at risk should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)/CDC (Center of Disease Control) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline. All Drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Thank you for allowing us to continue providing your family with clean, quality water this year. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply we sometimes need to make improvements that will benefit all of our customers. These improvements are sometimes reflected as rate structure adjustments. Thank you for understanding. We at the Jack Water System work around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future.

For more information contact:

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Jack Water System

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Telephone: 334-735-0059

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday – Friday

SPORTS NEWS

Views From

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Our grandson Lawson made it clear last week that since he was exempt from all his final exams he was looking forward to sleeping in, but did tell me that since I still had to head into town to drive a bus that I could swing by after my routes and bring him a couple of bacon biscuits for breakfast. Hey, even an extra hour of sleep can't compete with a bacon biscuit!

For what it is worth....

*** **The Elba Tigers wrapped up spring football** practice last week and after watching a couple of days and talking with the coaches I can tell everyone is looking forward to getting back to work in the summer and proving all the naysayers wrong and having another big season. Elba may have lost a total of 27 seniors the last two years that posted a combined record of 25-4 the last two seasons. However, this group seems determined to let everyone know they work just as hard and will play just as hard and keep the Elba Tigers near the top of the 1A football world. I know I am already getting excited about the upcoming season.

*** **I hate to say 'I told you so.'** No, I really don't! In last week's column I wrote that I wouldn't be surprised if Zion Chapel and Kinston both brought back state championship trophies from the state tournament, and they both proved me right as the Lady Rebels brought home the blue map in 2A and the Lady Bulldogs had the 1A state championship trophy with them when they headed back to Coffee County.

Zion Chapel posted a solid 22-15 record in route to its state title, but stood at only 7-9 two months into the season and carried a 12-12 record into post-season play, but gained valuable experience and became hardened veterans in a pair of regular season losses to eventual 3A state champ Wicksburg, a loss to eventual 5A state runner-up Houston Academy, as well as losses to 4A power Opp, 5A power Headland and 7A area champion Enterprise. The Lady Rebels proved once again that records aren't always the best way to judge a team's success, and left their names in the Zion Chapel history books as the school's first-ever state champion in any sport. It may be a little early to make another prediction, but with only three seniors on this year's roster, next year's team will be filled with girls that know what it takes to win a state championship and no doubt will play with one goal in mind.

Kinston ended its historic season with a gaudy 35-8 record and was without a doubt one of the state's top 1A teams throughout the long road to a state title. The Lady Bulldogs opened the season with a ten-game winning streak, and while they stumbled a few times in the month of March and posted a 9-6 record, they got back on track in the final two months of the season and won 18 of their final 20 games to add a second state championship to the softball trophy case. Three of the six losses came to 3A state champion Wicksburg and Florida-power North Bay Haven, but even in the losses Kinston always fought until the final out, a lesson that proved to be valuable in the state title win, when they rallied from a 7-2 deficit. With no seniors on the roster, the Lady Bulldogs will have a bulls-eye on their backs when next season rolls around. However, I think the girls won't care and once again will play anyone, anywhere.

*** **I know spring football jamborees** are becoming a thing of the past, but the three schools in the Coffee County system came together last week as the Zion Chapel Rebels hosted the Kinston Bulldogs and the New Brockton Gamecocks in a night of football at Greene Memorial Stadium. The teams swapped quarters playing offense and defense, making the game more of a scrimmage than an actual game, but the fans turned out in big numbers and it was a winning night for all the teams involved. I know it is almost a year away, but maybe next year the Elba Tigers can join the mix and have four teams from Coffee County coming together to bring everyone together for a night of fun and fellowship. Just an idea.

*** **In closing....** I read last week that in 2024, the University of Tennessee spend \$5.4 million in football recruiting, the most of any school in the conference and an increase of \$2.8 million from what it spent the year before. The Vols were competitive and filled up their stadium for all home games; however, the big increase didn't exactly pay dividends. Alabama came in second in spending at \$5.3 million, while the other top spenders were Texas A & M at \$4.1 million and Georgia at \$4.09 million. The 15 public schools in the SEC spent a total of over \$42 million on football recruiting during the 2024 fiscal year, which makes it clear why they need the big bucks thrown their way by television networks. It's not just a business, it's a multi-million dollar business.



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Elba's Jay Wilson

Back-to-back state champion

Elba Tiger golf standout Jay Wilson made it back-to-back state championships last week when he fired a four-under par 140 to claim state individual honors at the AHSAA Class 1A-2A State Golf Championships, at Oxmoor Valley.

Wilson, a junior, trailed by two shots after 18-holes, but rallied with a second round 69 to run away with the title and win the tournament by seven shots.

"It feels good to win," said Wilson in an interview with *The Dothan Eagle*. "It is kind of a weight off my shoulders as I thought it was going to be hard to come back after being down two strokes. I was sitting there stressing out in the clubhouse for that last gut to get in to see what the results were."

Wilson, in his fifth year on the Tiger golf team, got off to a slow start on the opening day and was two-over par after only five holes, but birdied the seventh and ninth holes to make the turn at even par, and quickly reached red numbers on the back nine with back-to-back birdies at the 13th and 14th. A bogey at the 15th slowed the late charge; however, his one-under par 71 placed him in second place, just two shots back.

Wilson circled a bogey on the third hole with birdies on the first and fourth holes on the second day and went out in one-under par 35, then on the second nine made a championship push as he parred the first four holes and then birdied the 14th, 16th and 17th to go four-under on the day. A bogey on the final hole may have ended the birdie



Elba Tiger golfer Jay Wilson holds the individual state championship plaque after winning the 1A-2A state title for the second straight year.

barrage, but the Elba golfer closed with a three-under 69, giving him a two-day total of four-under par 140, to win his second straight state championship by seven shots.

Wilson hit 32 of 36 greens in regulation during the two-day tournament that included 28 high school golfers in the 1A and 2A classifications from across the state, and

who added the key to his success at the event "was mostly off the tee and iron shots to the greens."

"It was just making a couple of putts I didn't make in the first round," said Wilson, who improved by two shots in the second round. "I had two three putts in the first round and didn't have any in the second round. So, knocking those in helped a

lot. Just limiting mistakes and trying to keep it in play. I managed to do that all week and I didn't go out of bounds once."

The Elba three-sport standout, who has committed to play golf at Columbus State, won the state title in a rain-shortened 27-hole tournament as a junior by five strokes, after placing second as a freshman.



Elba Tiger head coach Jon Cooper talks to quarterbacks during spring football practice.



Elba Tiger linemen work on fundamentals during action last week during spring training.

Elba Tigers wrap up spring football practice

The Elba Tigers wrapped up spring football practice Friday afternoon and while Coach Jon Cooper stated it was a good spring and he was proud of the effort of the players, it was just the beginning in preparation for the upcoming season.

"I was proud of all the players and the effort they gave on some really hot days, both in shorts and in pads," said Cooper. "This is just the beginning, however, because it was just our first ten days together as a team. The first week in shorts and helmets we taught them how to practice and what to expect, and last week in pads they all found out what football is all about and how it feels to hit, and get hit."

"We have plenty of athletes to be successful and now we have to continue to develop them into players that believe they can win and are willing to do what it takes to be winners," added Cooper. "We still have three players working at quarterback and they will work every day

at practice and in seven-on-seven camps to make strides forward, and we will have to find them some receivers to throw the ball to. We do have four running backs that can carry the ball at the varsity level, and a solid group of five linemen that are big and strong, and work hard every day to get better. We are looking forward to what is ahead in the summer and expect us to get closer as a team and improve in everything we do."

"We will work three or four days a week all summer," stated Coach Cooper. "with time split in the weight room and the practice field. Our goals are to be bigger, stronger and faster, and at the same time work hard on fundamentals to be solid at all positions. We plan on going to a couple of seven-on-seven competitions and a couple of passing camps at colleges to keep the players focused on football and to create excitement during the long, hot summer. When we get

back we will have twenty days or practice before the first game, and everything we did in the spring and will do in the summer is preparing us for the season opener, and to be the best we can be as a team and at every position."

"This is a good group of players with a core

group that played a big role in the success of Elba Tiger football in years past," added Cooper, "and their leadership will play a big role as we go to work during the summer months. We are all excited and looking forward to getting back to work in just a couple of weeks."

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SPORTS NEWS



Zion Chapel's Riley Bannin lets a pitch fly in last week's state tournament action. Bannin was named the MVP of the 2A state tournament.

(Photo by Zion Chapel Rebel News)



Zion Chapel's Shea Wambles led her team at the plate in last week's state championship run.

(Photo by Zion Chapel Rebel News)

The Stars shined bright for Zion Chapel

At the plate -

Shea Wambles....

8 hits, 5 runs scored, 1 rbi (2 doubles, 2 triples)

Sydney Boothe....

7 hits, 3 runs scored, 5 rbi's (2 doubles)

Aubrey Bassett....

6 hits, 4 runs scored, 3 rbi's (1 triple)

Kaylee Hodge....

5 hits, 3 runs scored, 3 rbi's (1 double)

Emily Rhodes....

5 hits, 3 runs scored

Inside the circle -

Riley Bannin....

22 innings pitched, 15 hits allowed, 5 earned runs allowed, 26 strikeouts

Sydney Boothe....

7 innings pitched, 4 hits allowed, 3 earned runs allowed, 3 strikeouts

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ZION CHAPEL - 2025 CLASS 2A STATE CHAMPIONS

Zion Chapel wins 2A title

It was a Lady Rebel ambush

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels wrote a storybook ending to the 2025 high school softball season last week when they won four straight games at the AHSAA State Softball Tournament to win the Class 2A state championship.

The Lady Rebels won a pair of one-run games over Horseshoe Bend 3-2 and Pisgah 5-4 to open the eight-team event, then displayed their championship skills in a 13-2 romp past area foe Pike Liberal Arts to move into the finals, where they defeated Pisgah 5-2 to claim the title.

Senior Riley Bannin was named the tournament's 'Most Valuable Player' as she pitched a total of 22 innings and allowed only five earned runs on 15 hits, while recording 26 strikeouts.

Following is a recap of the run to the title:

Zion Chapel 3 Horseshoe Bend 2

The Lady Rebels began play on Monday morning against the Central Region champions from Horseshoe Bend and pushed across a run in the seventh inning to pull even and then added a run in the eighth to claim an exciting 3-2 win.

A two-out double by Shea Wambles followed by an rbi single by Sydney Boothe gave Zion Chapel an early 1-0 lead in the top of the first, and while the Lady Rebels stranded seven runners on base through six innings, Zion Chapel pitcher Riley Bannin made it hold up as she allowed only three base runners through five innings, all on walks, and struck out 12 batters.

Horseshoe Bend bunched together its only three hits of the game in the bottom of the sixth to plate two runs and grabbed a 2-1 lead. However, a one-out triple by Shea Wambles in the top of the seventh and a sacrifice fly off the bat of Sydney Boothe pulled the Lady Rebels even at 2-2, as the game headed into extra innings. A leadoff single by Kaylee Hodge in the eighth sparked a Lady Rebel rally, and after Hodge moved to second on an error, she reached third on a sacrifice bunt by Landry Hataway and then raced home on a fielder's choice off the bat of Karli Kidd to put Zion Chapel back on top 3-2. Bannin retired Horseshoe Bend in order 1 the bottom of the inning to seal the deal on the 3-2 extra-inning win.

Shea Wambles had 4 hits, including two doubles and one triple, and scored 2 runs to lead Zion Chapel at the plate, while Sydney Boothe added 2 hits and 2 rbi's, Kaylee Hodge added 2 hits and scored 1 run, and Landry Hataway and Emily Rhodes both added 1 hit. Riley Bannin pitched eight innings and allowed two earned runs on three hits, while striking out 15.

Zion Chapel 4 Pisgah 3

The Lady Rebels ran into East Region champion Pisgah in the second game of the day and pulled ahead early and held on late to claim a 4-3 win.

Pisgah used two hits to jump on top 1-0 in the bottom of the first inning, but Zion Chapel came right back in the top of the second and pulled even at 1-1 when Sydney Boothe drew a leadoff walk and came around to score on a fielder's choice off the bat of Landry Hataway.

The Lady Rebels bats came to life in the third inning as they used three hits to plate three runs and grabbed a 4-1 advantage. A leadoff single by Aubrey Bassett ignited the third inning rally, while Kaylee Hodge delivered a two-out rbi double and Landry Hataway followed with a two-run triple to put Zion Chapel in command.

Zion Chapel stranded a total of five runners on base over the next three innings as its lead stayed at 4-1, but Pisgah combined two walks and a double in the bottom of the sixth to plate two runs and pulled within 4-3 heading into the seventh. Pisgah got a leadoff single in its half of the frame, but Lady Rebel pitcher Sydney Boothe retired the next three batters as Zion Chapel held on to post the 4-3 win.

Landry Hataway had 2 hits and 3 rbi's to lead Zion Chapel at the plate, while Aubrey Bassett added 2 hits and scored 1 run, Kaylee Hodge added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; and, Shea Wambles added 1 hit. Sydney Boothe pitched seven innings and allowed three earned runs on four hits, while striking out three.

Zion Chapel 13 Pike Liberal Arts 2

The Lady Rebels challenged the South Region champions from Pike Liberal Arts in the finals of the winner's bracket and broke loose late to post an impressive 13-2 win.

Zion Chapel stranded a total of five runners on base in the opening three innings and trailed 1-0 heading into the fourth, but a leadoff single by Kaylee Hodge ignited a Lady Rebel rally as they plated a pair of runs on a two-out, two-run double by Riley Bannin to slip ahead 2-1. Pike Lib pulled even in the bottom of the fourth and the Lady Rebels failed to cash in a leadoff triple by Shea Wambles in the fifth as the score remained tied at 2-2. However, the Lady Rebels bats came back to life in the sixth as Zion Chapel scored four runs to open up a 6-2 advantage. Back-to-back one-out singles by Karli Kidd and Emily Rhodes, and a walk to Riley Bannin loaded the bases,

while Aubrey Bassett followed with a bases-clearing triple and then scored on a two-out rbi single by Sydney Boothe as the Lady Rebels took command.

Consecutive base hits by Kaylee Hodge, Landry Hataway and Karli Kidd to open the seventh resulted on one run, while Riley Bannin added an rbi double, Shea Wambles added an rbi single, and the Lady Rebels took advantage of two walks as Zion Chapel broke loose for seven runs to grab a big 13-2 lead, and held on in the bottom of the inning to claim the win.

Shea Wambles had 3 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi to lead Zion Chapel at the plate, while Aubrey Bassett added 2 hits, scored 3 runs and had 3 rbi's; Riley Bannin added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's; Karli Kidd added 2 hits, scored 3 runs and had 1 rbi; Sydney Boothe added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; Kaylee Hodge added 2 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; Emily Rhodes added 1 hit and scored 2 runs; and, Landry Hataway added 1 hit and scored 1 run. Riley Bannin pitched seven innings and allowed two earned runs on seven hits, with 10 strikeouts.

Zion Chapel 5 Pisgah 2

The Lady Rebels pulled ahead early and never trailed in a dominating 5-2 win over Pisgah, in the tournament finals.

A leadoff walk and consecutive one-out singles by Shea Wambles, Sydney Boothe and Alyssa Forehand sparked a first inning outburst to give Zion Chapel an early 2-0 lead. The Lady Rebels had a chance to add to their early advantage in the second when Emily Rhodes, Riley Bannin and Aubrey Bassett all singled to load the bases with no outs. However, all three runners were left on base as the next three batters failed to get a ball out of the infield.

Pisgah cut the Zion Chapel lead to 2-1 in the top of the fourth, but the Lady Rebels had an immediate answer to the rally and hung three runs on the scoreboard in the bottom of the frame to regain command. A leadoff single by Emily Rhoades followed by a one-out single by Aubrey Bassett put two runners on base, and this time Zion Chapel came through with key hits as Sydney Boothe ripped an rbi double, Alyssa Forehand added an rbi single and Sydney Boothe scored on an error to put the Lady Rebels on top 5-1.

Pisgah pulled within 5-2 in the sixth to keep its comeback hopes alive. However, Zion Chapel never lost command and quickly got three outs in the seventh to claim the 2A title with the exciting 5-2 win.

Sydney Boothe had 3 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi to lead Zion Chapel at the plate, while Emily Rhoades added 3 hits and scored 1 run, Alyssa Forehand added 2 hits and 2 rbi's, Aubrey Bassett added 2 hits and scored 1 run, and Riley Bannin and Shea Wambles both added 1 hit and scored 1 run. Riley Bannin pitched seven innings and allowed one earned run on five hits.

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SPORTS NEWS



Kinston's Allyx Williamson receives MVP award from AHSAA official Kim Vickers.



KINSTON - 2025 CLASS 1A STATE CHAMPIONS

In 1A state title run

Lady Bulldogs refuse to lose

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs showed everyone at last week's Class 1A state softball tournament they had no place in the losers' bracket after a one-run loss on opening day as they won three straight games on day two to bring home the 1A state championship.

The Lady Bulldogs defeated Central Region runner-up Woodland 4-1 in the tourney opener and posted a 4-2 win over East Region runner-up Ider in game two, before falling into the losers' bracket with a 5-4 setback to North Central runner-up Hackleburg. Kinston bounced back with its back to the wall on day two and posted consecutive wins over East Region champion Spring Garden 7-1, and then swept past Hackleburg 4-3 and 10-7 to claim the state championship.

Following are highlights of the state tournament action:

Kinston 4 Woodland 1

The Lady Bulldogs began play last Wednesday morning against Woodland and pulled ahead early in a 4-1 win.

Kinston left two runners on base in the bottom of the first, but broke through with two runs in the second, sparked by a one-out single by Camdyn Norris and a two-out rbi single by Allyx Williamson. The Lady Bulldogs added a run in the third without the need of a hit to push their lead to 3-0, and then added an insurance run in the fourth when Aubrey Norris singled and came around the score on a two-out base hit by Allyx Williamson. Woodland got on the scoreboard in the top of the seventh, but Kinston easily held on to post the 4-1 win.

Allyx Williamson had 2 hits and 3 rbi's to lead Kinston at the plate, while Aubrey Norris added 2 hits and scored 2 runs, Camdyn Norris added 2 hits and scored 1 run, and Lauren Norris added 1 hit and 1 rbi. Lilli Sumblin pitched seven innings and allowed one earned run on six hits, while striking out 13.

Kinston 4 Ider 2

The Lady Bulldogs took the field again Tuesday afternoon and jumped out to an early lead and never looked back to defeat Ider 4-2.

A leadoff triple by Allyx Williamson followed by an rbi triple by Madisyn Jones gave the Lady Bulldogs a quick 1-0 lead, and the lead grew to 2-0 one batter later when Maddie Williamson delivered Kinston's third triple in four batters. Williamson scored on a sacrifice fly off the bat of Lauren Norris, and after half an inning the Lady Bulldogs were already on top 3-0.

Kinston wasted leadoff hits by Madisyn Jones and Brynne Kelley, and a hit batter and a walk to Lilli Sumblin in the third inning as its lead remained stuck at 3-0, while Ider got on the board in the bottom of the inning as the Lady Bulldogs lead stood at 3-1 after three innings. Kinston stranded two more runners on base in the fourth after singles by Madisyn Jones and Aubrey Norris, but did add to its lead in the fifth and went on top 4-1 when Maddie Williamson led off with a single and later came around to score on a bases-loaded walk to Layla Bruce. Ider scored one run in the bottom of the frame to pull within 4-2; however, that was as close Kinston would allow as the Lady Bulldogs claimed the 4-2 win.

Madisyn Jones had 3 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi to lead Kinston at the plate, while Maddie Williamson added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi; Aubrey Norris added 2 hits, and Lauren Norris added 1 hit and 1 rbi. Lauren Norris pitched seven innings and allowed no earned runs on four hits, while striking out four.

Hackleburg 5 Kinston 4

The Lady Bulldogs played their third game of the opening day late Tuesday afternoon and battled through eight innings in a hard fought 5-4 loss to Hackleburg.

Kinston grabbed an early 1-0 lead in the bottom of the first when Allyx Williamson led off with a single and came around to score on an error, only to see Hackleburg rally in the second and score three runs to grab a 3-1 lead. The Lady Rebels weren't down for long; however, as in the bottom of the inning Camdyn Norris ripped a one-out double, followed by an rbi double by Aubrey Norris, and a two-out rbi single by Allyx Williamson as Kinston pulled even at 3-3.

Hackleburg move back on top 4-3 in the third, and Kinston stranded three runners on base in the next three innings and was still behind 4-3 heading into the bottom of the sixth. Lilli Sumblin singled to lead off the inning to pump life back into the Lady Bulldogs, and when Aubrey Norris came through with a one-out, rbi triple Kinston had

pulled even at 4-4. Kinston, which left a pair of runners on base in the sixth and failed to take advantage of a leadoff single by Brynne Kelley in the seventh, watched Hackleburg plate one run in the eighth to sneak back ahead, and this time the Lady Bulldogs failed to rally as they lost 5-4.

Kinston, which outit Hackleburg 9-5, only to strand eight runners on base, was led at the plate by Aubrey Norris with 2 hits, 2 rbi's and 1 run scored, while Allyx Williamson added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; Camdyn Norris added 2 hits and scored 1 run; and, Maddie Williamson with 1 hit and 1 rbi. Lilli Sumblin pitched eight innings and allowed two earned runs on five hits, while striking out seven.

Kinston 7 Spring Garden 1

The Lady Bulldogs returned to the field Thursday morning and never trailed in an impressive 7-1 win over Spring Garden.

Kinston stranded two runners on base in the top of the first inning, but got on the scoreboard in the second and grabbed a 2-0 lead after Lilli Sumblin raced home on a sacrifice fly after drawing a leadoff walk, and Camdyn Norris singled and scored when Madisyn Jones was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded. Spring Garden cut the lead to 2-1 in the third. However, Brynne Kelley had a two-out, rbi single in the fourth to push the lead to 3-1, Lauren Norris tripled and scored on an error in the fifth to stretch the lead to 4-1, and the Lady Bulldogs added a pair of runs in the sixth thanks to four walks and an error to take command as they rolled to the 7-1 win.

Allyx Williamson had 4 hits and scored 2 runs to lead Kinston at the plate, while Brynne Kelley added 1 hit and 1 rbi, and Lauren Norris and Camdyn Norris both added 1 hit and scored 1 run. Lauren Norris pitched seven innings and allowed no earned runs on four hits, while striking out seven.

Kinston 4 Hackleburg 3

The Lady Bulldogs pulled ahead early with two runs in the first and then added the winning run in the sixth in an exciting 4-3 win over Hackleburg.

Allyx Williamson led off with a base hit and moved to third on a double by Brynne Kelley, then scored on a fielder's choice and Kelley later crossed the plate on an rbi double by Lilli Sumblin as the Lady Bulldogs jumped out to a quick 2-0 lead. Hackleburg pulled even at 2-2 in the bottom of the inning, but Kinston rallied in the third and snuck back on top 3-2 when Madisyn Jones reached on an error and scored on a wild pitch after moving to third on back-to-back hits by Brynne Kelley and Maddie Williamson.

Kinston entered the sixth with the score tied at 3-3, but Camdyn Norris was hit by a pitch to lead off the inning, went around to third on an infield out, and then scored on a sacrifice fly to put the Lady Bulldogs back on top 4-3. Spring Garden put the potential tying run on base on both the sixth and seventh. However, the Lady Bulldogs held firm and survived with the 4-3 win to move into the state title contest.

Kinston 10 Hackleburg 7

The Lady Bulldogs rallied from a 5-run fifth inning deficit to outscore Hackleburg 10-7 to complete an amazing feat of winning three 'must win' games to claim the Class 1A state championship.

Hackleburg jumped out to an early 1-0 lead in the top of the first and carried the slim lead into the third, when Kinston plated two runs to go on top 2-1. A walk to Adelyn Jarrell followed by a double by Allyx Williamson pulled the Lady Bulldogs even, while Williamson later scored on a passed ball as Kinston snuck ahead 2-1.

Hackleburg bunched together two walks, two doubles and two triples in the fourth inning to score six runs and open up a big 7-2 advantage, but Kinston refused to let the title slip away and rallied with six runs of its own in the bottom of the fifth to grab an 8-7 lead. A leadoff single by Allyx Williamson and a walk to Madisyn Jones put runners on base to start the big sixth inning rally, while Brynne Kelley lofted a sacrifice fly to start the scoring, Maddie Williamson added an rbi double, Lauren Norris came through with an rbi triple, Lilli Sumblin added an rbi single, and Camdyn Norris raced home with an inside-the-park two-run homer as the Lady Bulldogs completed the wild fifth inning comeback!

Kinston added a pair of insurance runs in the sixth on an rbi double by Brynne Kelley and a sacrifice fly off the bat of Lauren Norris, and Norris survived a scary seventh inning inside the pitching circle to help lift the Lady Bulldogs to the heart-stopping 10-7 state championship win.

Camdyn Norris had 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's to lead Kinston at the plate, while Maddie Williamson added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 hit; Allyx Williamson and Madisyn Jones both added 2 hits and scored 2 runs; and, Brynne Kelley added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's. Lilli Sumblin and Lauren Norris combined to pitch seven innings and allowed seven earned runs on 14 hits, with two strikeouts.



NORRIS FAMILY REUNION - Kinston coach Andy Norris and his three daughters Camdyn, Aubrey and Lauren were all smiles after the Lady Bulldogs claimed the 1A state title.

Lady Bulldog bats were booming

Allyx Williamson

12 hits, 7 runs scored, 4 rbi's

Maddie Williamson

9 hits, 4 runs scored, 4 rbi's

Camdyn Norris

7 hits, 5 runs scored, 2 rbi's

Aubrey Norris

7 hits, 4 runs scored, 3 rbi's

Brynne Kelley

7 hits, 2 runs scored, 3 rbi's

Kinston duo brought the heat in all six games

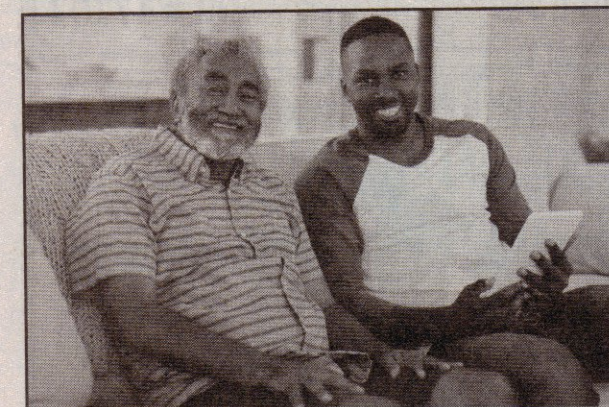
Lilli Sumblin

27 2/3 innings pitched - 451 pitches thrown
28 hits allowed - 9 earned runs allowed - 27 strikeouts

Lauren Norris

15 1/3 innings pitched - 264 pitches thrown
12 hits allowed - 3 earned runs allowed - 12 strikeouts

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